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HALF-CURCUMINOIDS AS AMYLOID-BETA PET IMAGING AGENTS

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ABSTRACT (57)

Provided herein are curcumin analogues that are able to interact with amyloid beta $(A\beta)$ and to attenuate the copperinduced crosslinking of $A\beta$. Also provided herein are methods of using the compounds as imaging agents of amyloid beta and for the treatment of diseases associated with amyloid beta. Methods of preparing unlabeled and radiolabeled compounds useful for interacting with amyloid beta and pharmaceutical compositions are also provided.

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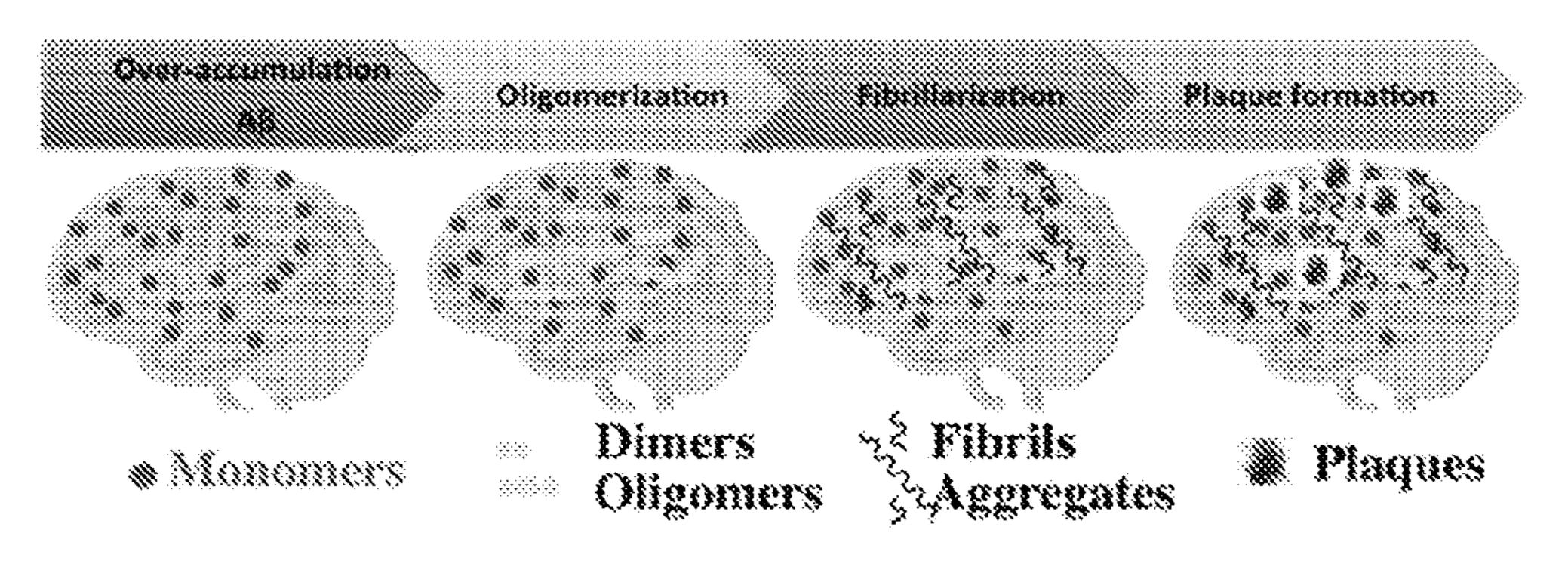
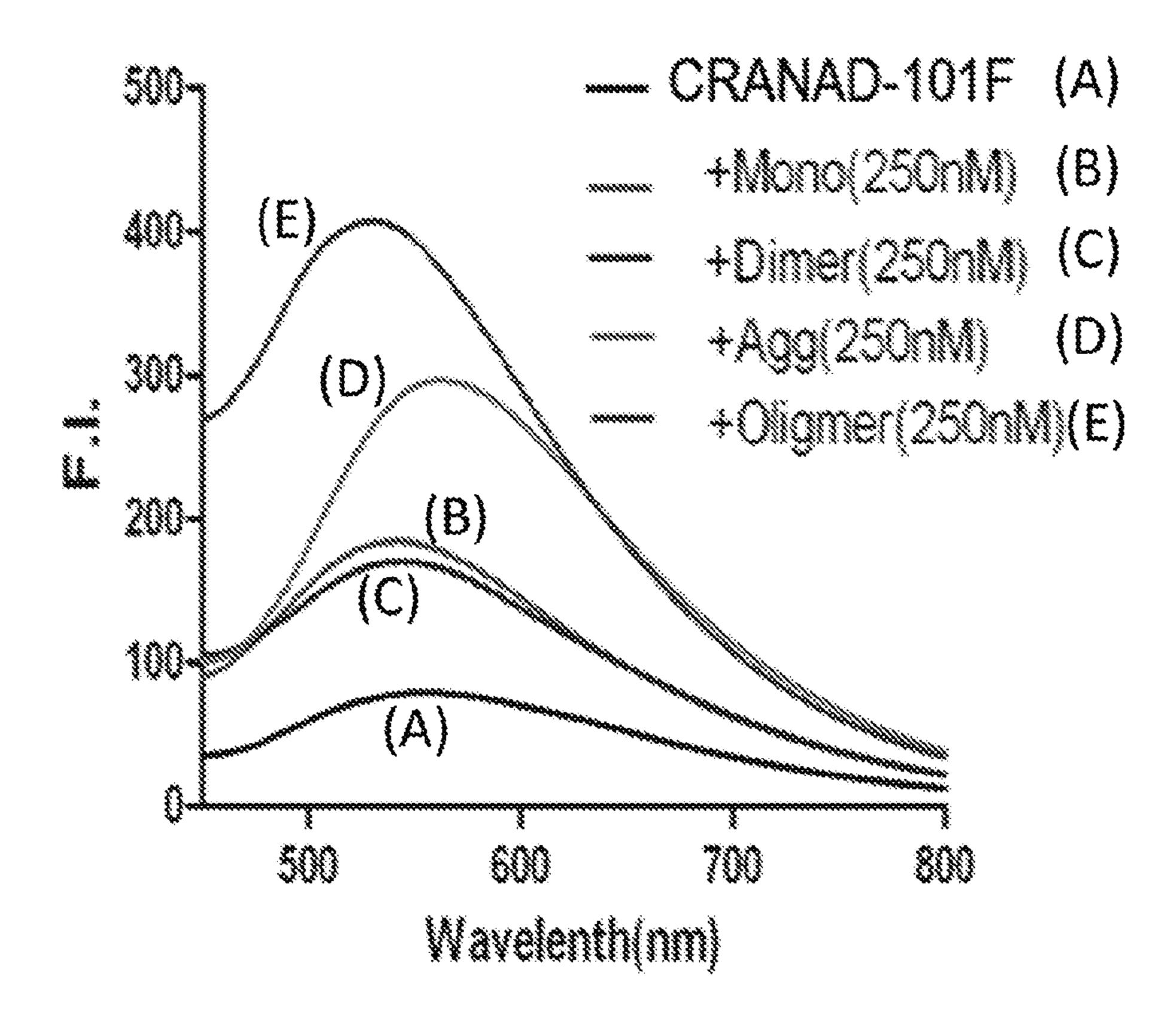


FIG. 1



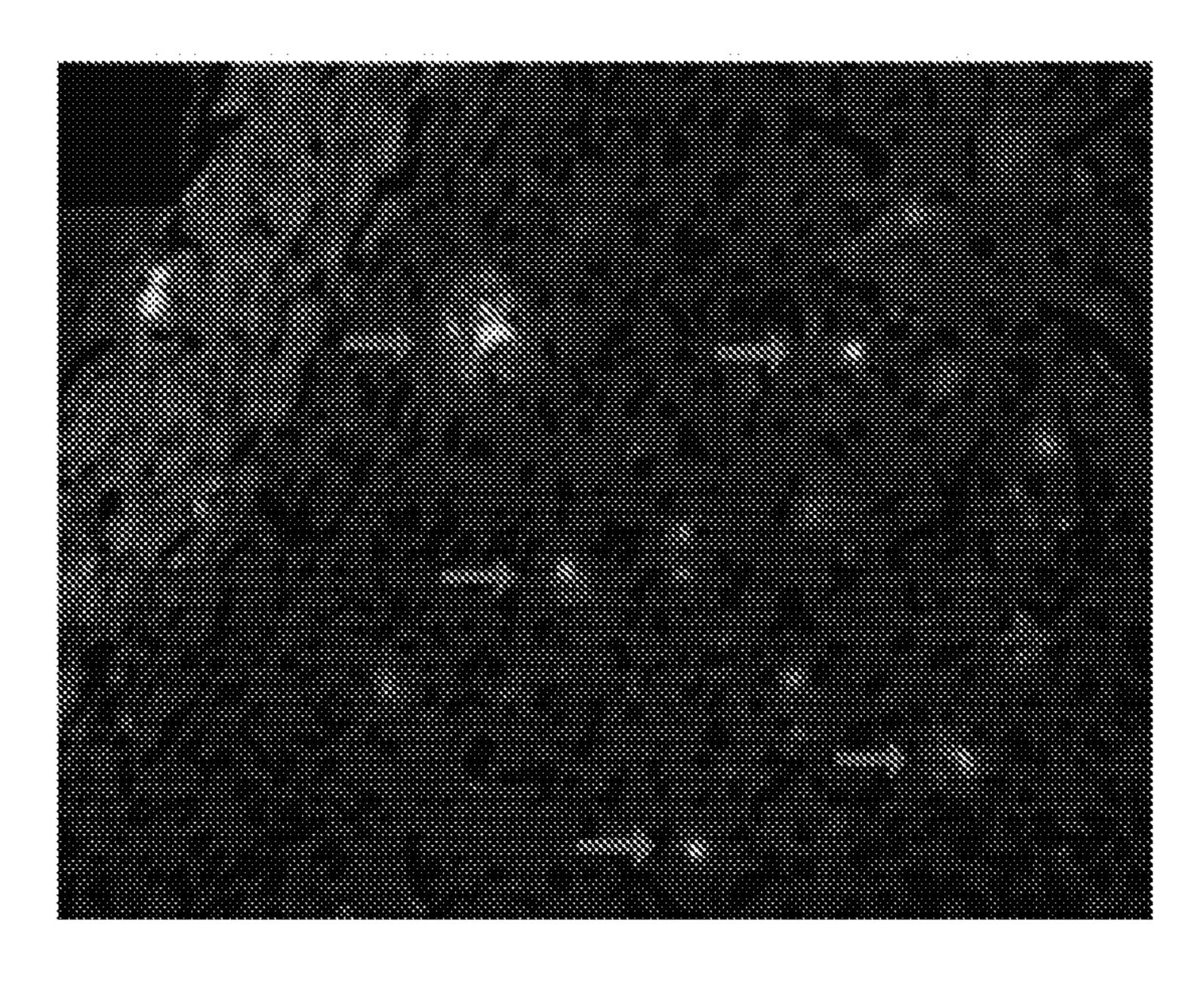
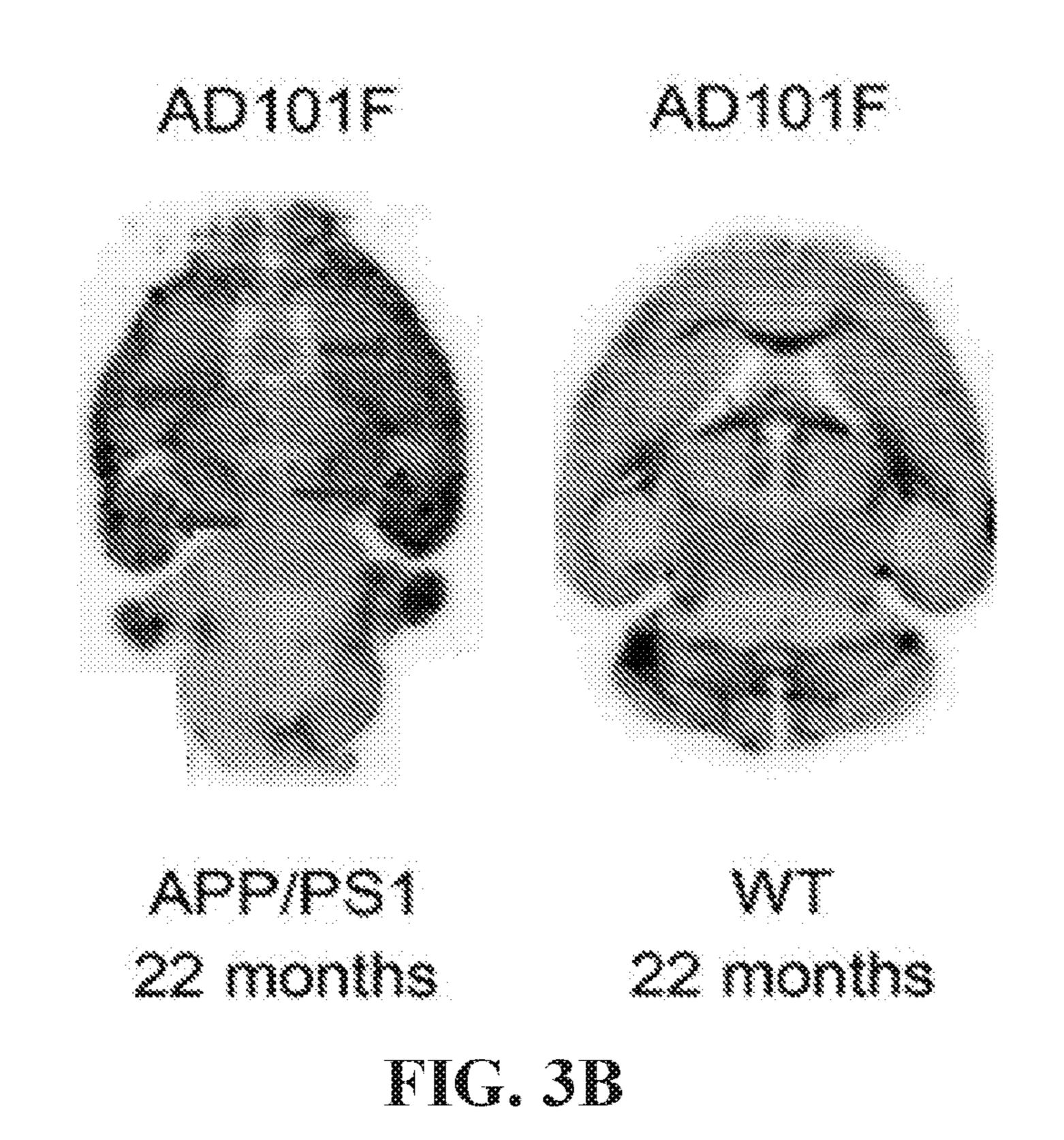
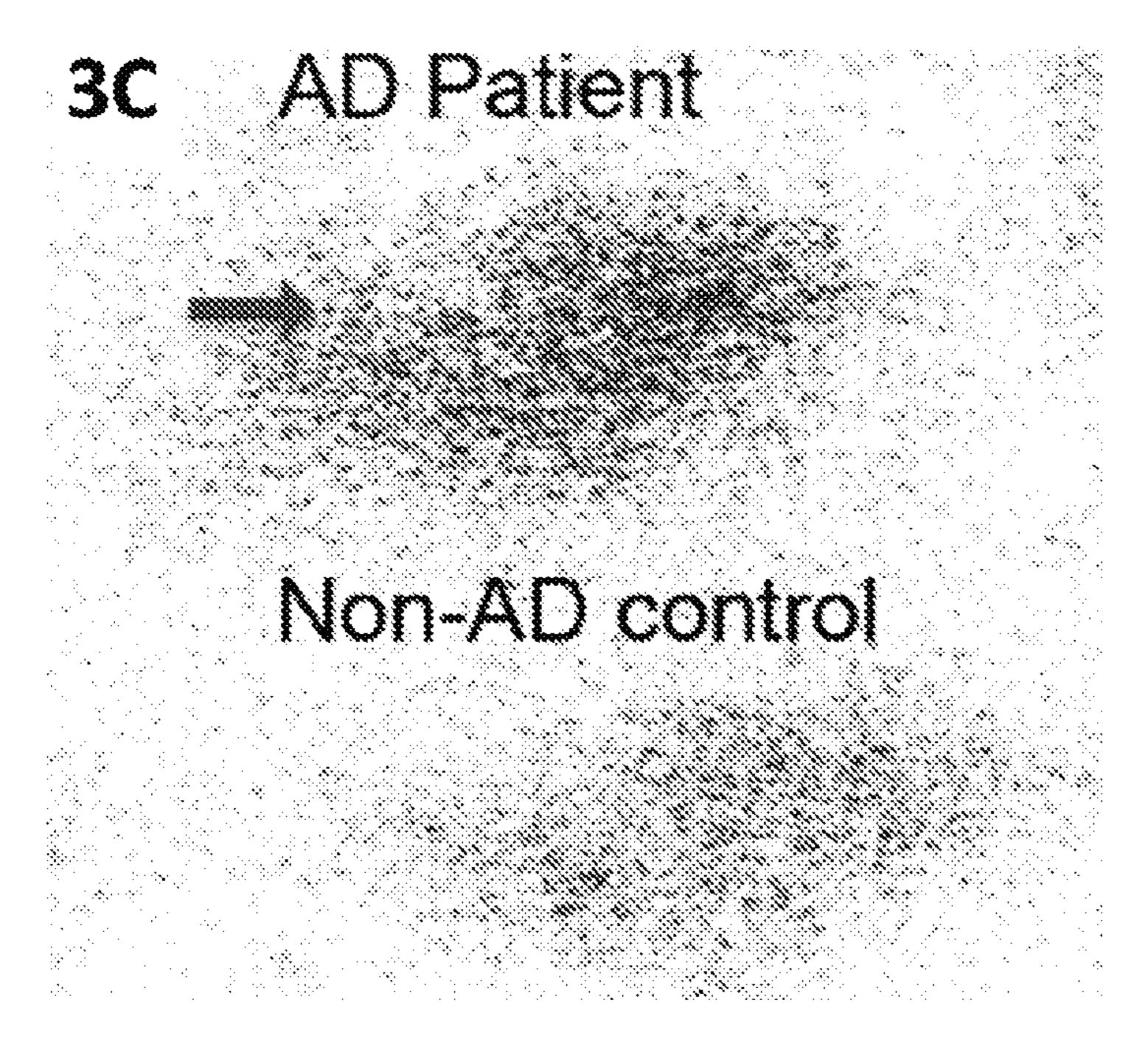
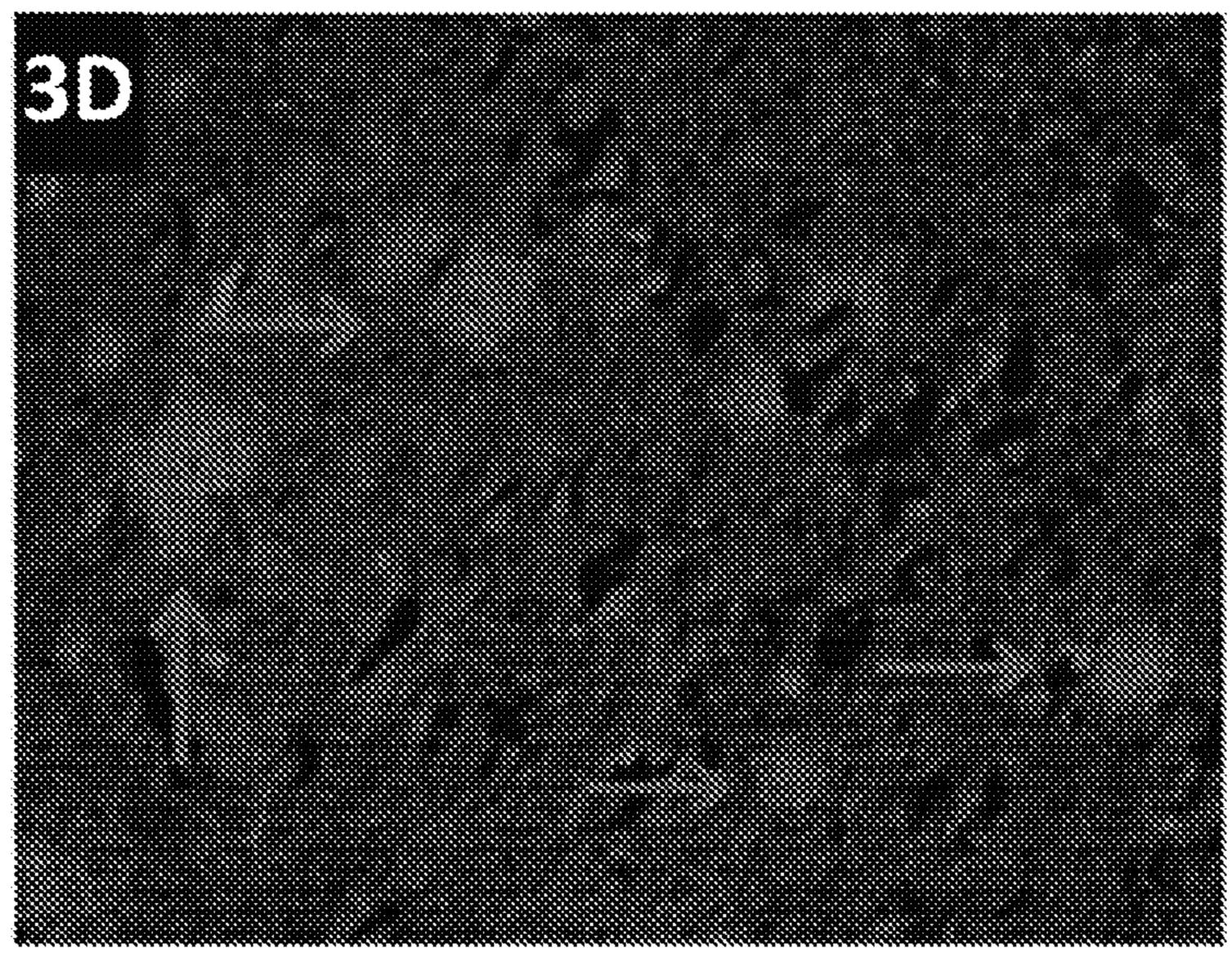


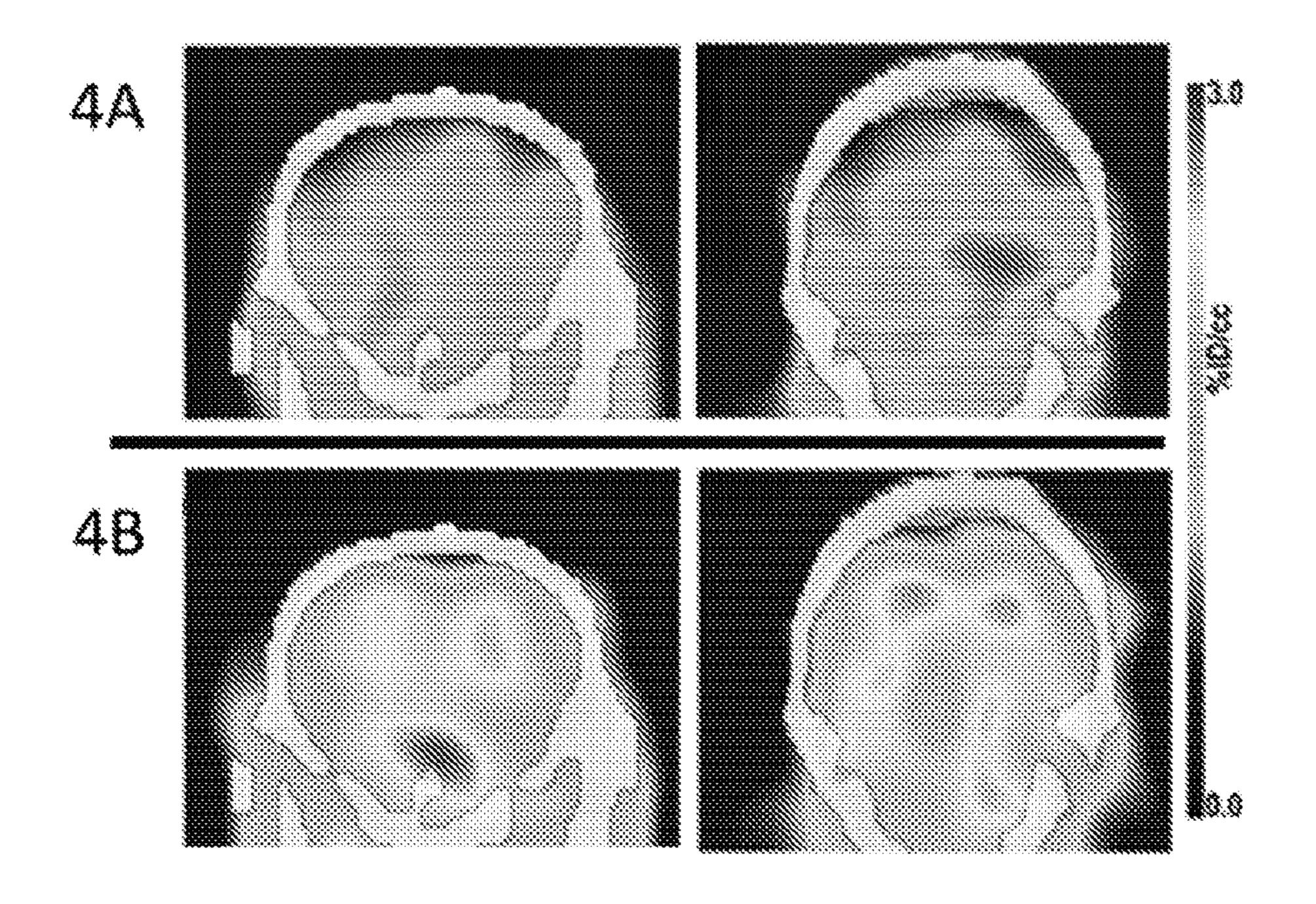
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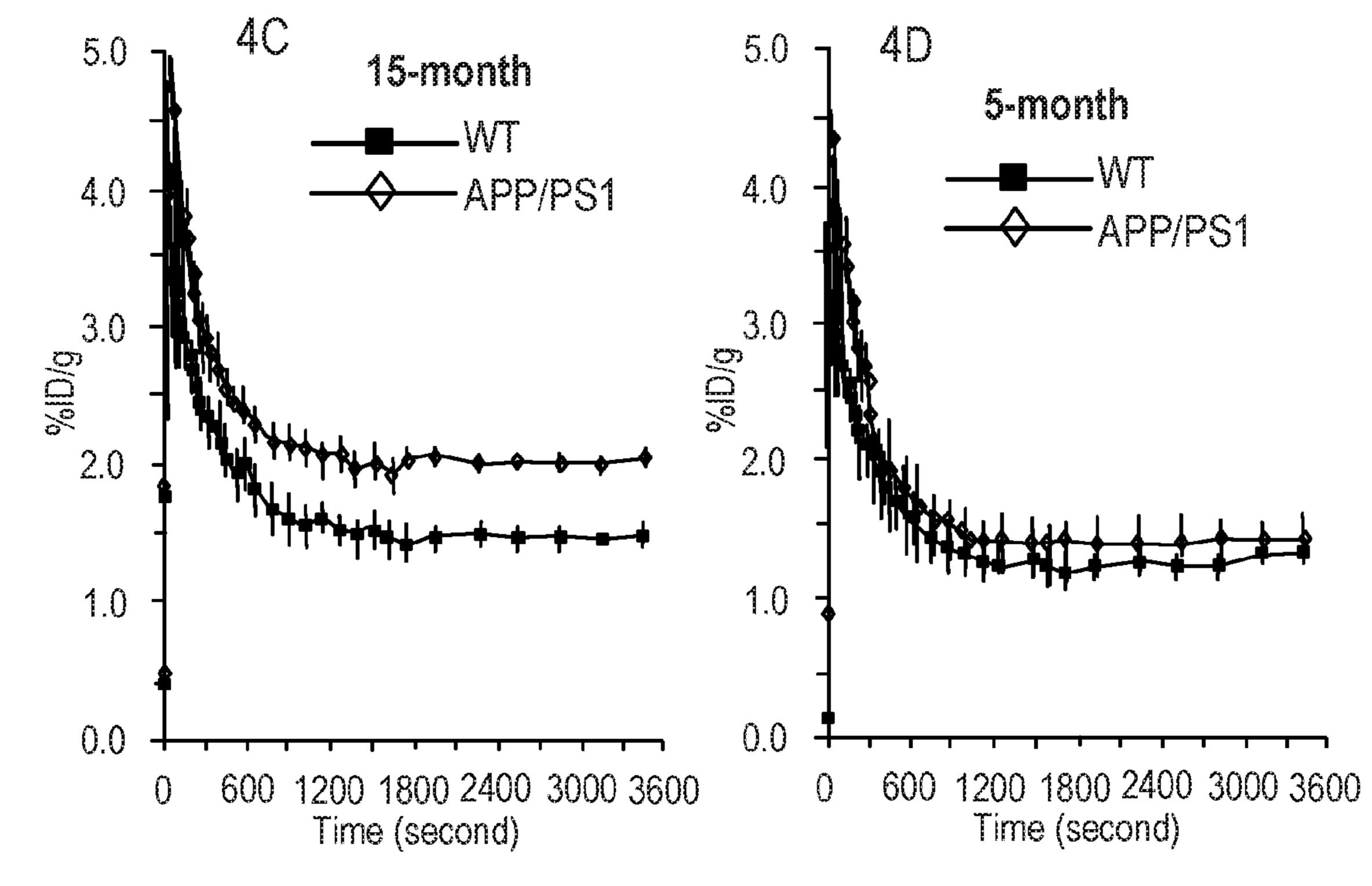






FIGs. 3C-3D





FIGS. 4A-4D

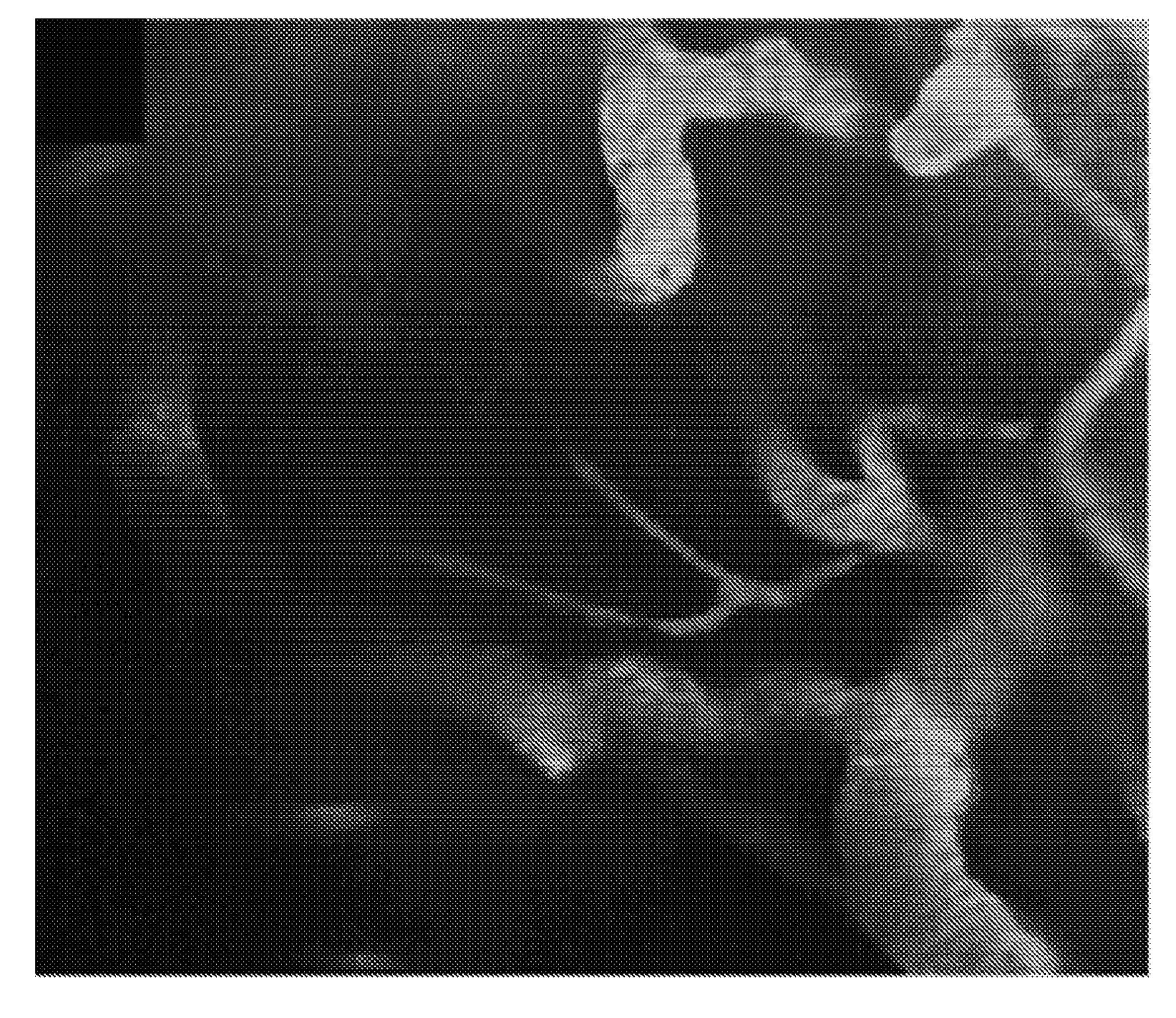


FIG. 5A

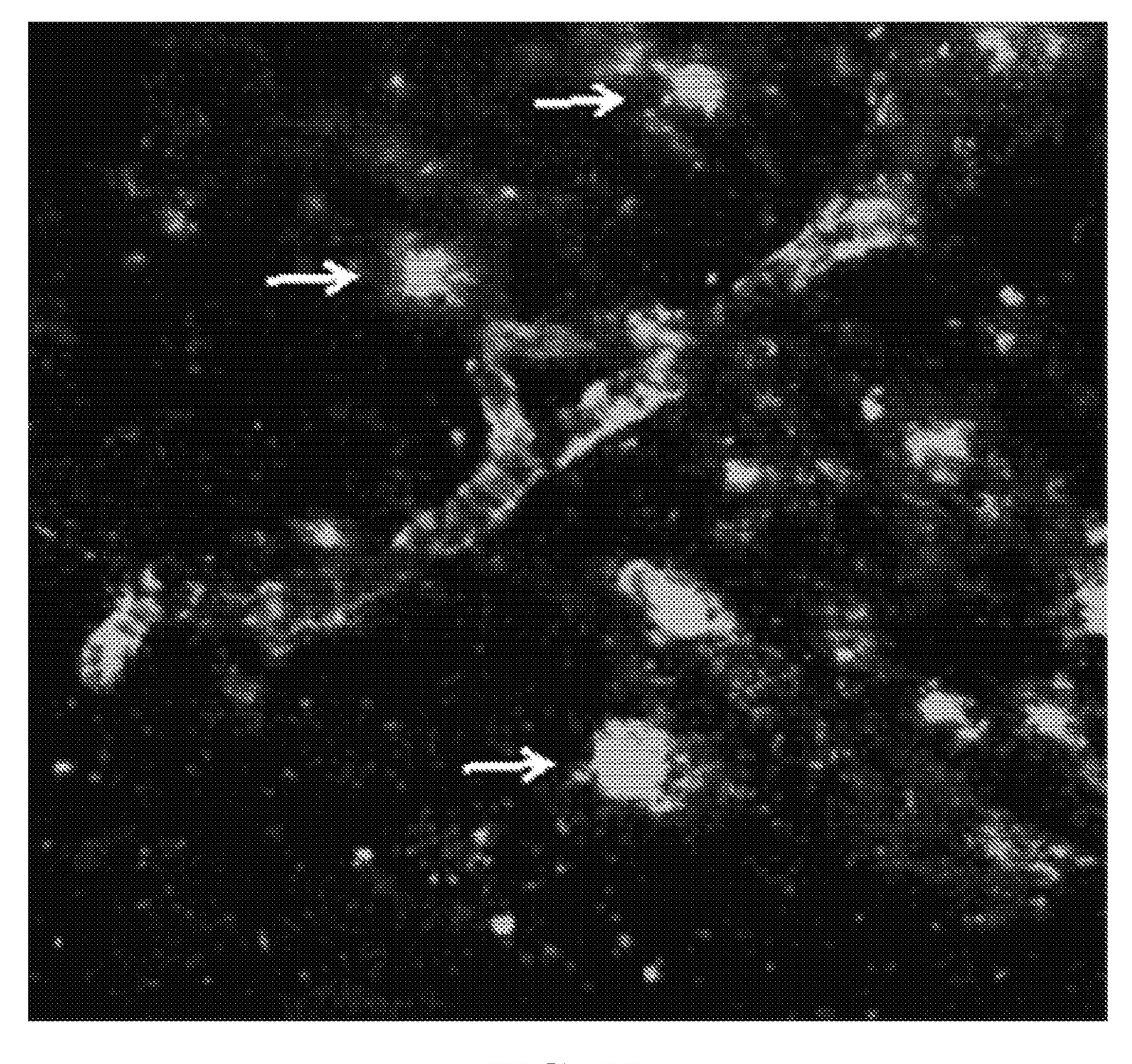


FIG. 5B

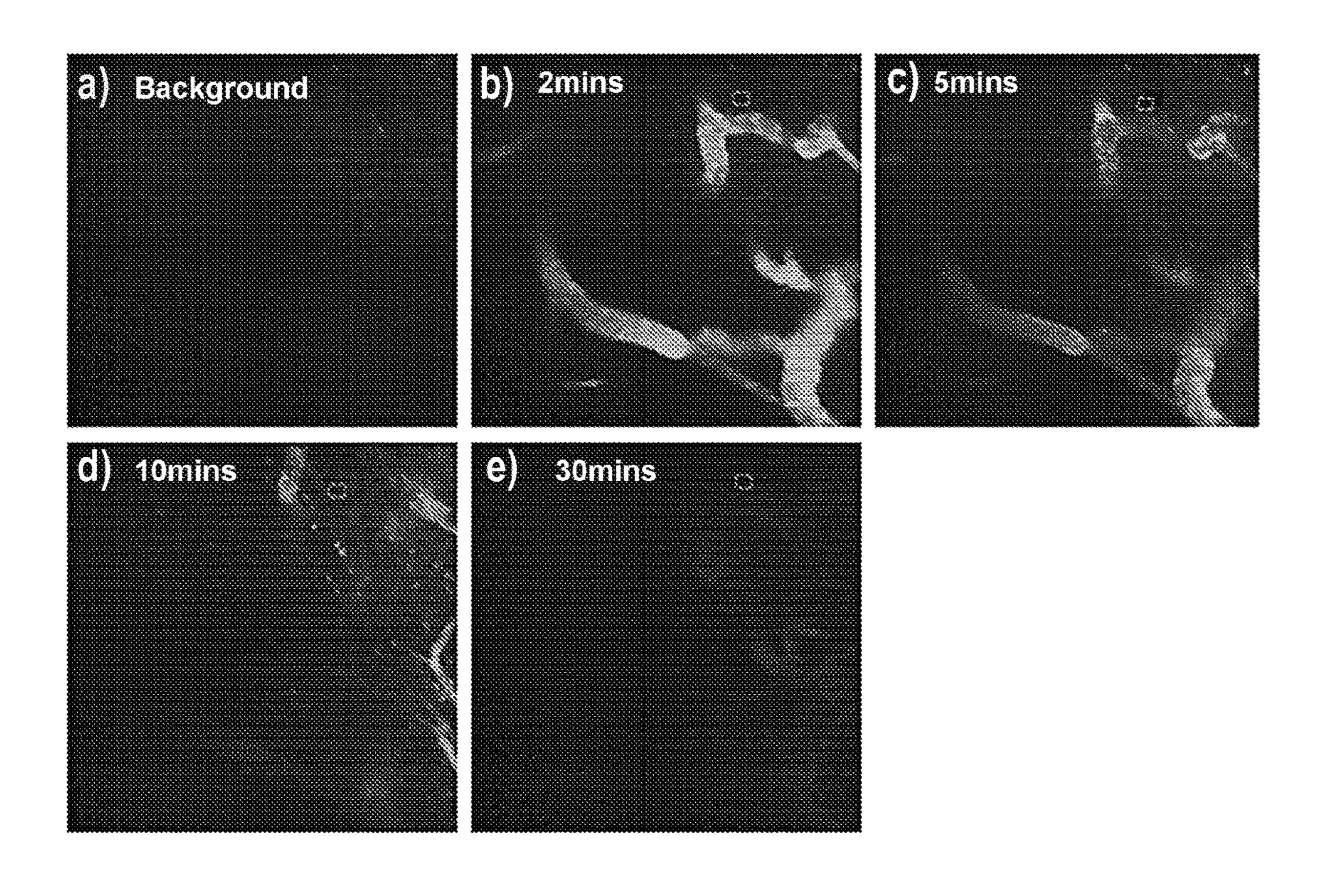


FIG. 5C

HALF-CURCUMINOIDS AS AMYLOID-BETA PET IMAGING AGENTS

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 62/356,116, filed Jun. 29, 2016, and 62/451,433, filed Jan. 27, 2017, the disclosure of each of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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TECHNICAL FIELD

Provided herein are curcumin analogues that are able to interact with amyloid beta $(A\beta)$. Also provided herein are methods of using the compounds as imaging agents of amyloid beta and for the treatment of diseases associated with $A\beta$.

BACKGROUND

Three amyloid beta (A β) PET tracers have been approved 30 by the FDA for clinical applications. However, they are only approved for exclusion of Alzheimer's disease (AD), and not for positive imaging diagnosis of AD. The fundamental limitation of the three approved tracers is that they are primarily useful for detecting insoluble A β s, but not the ³⁵ more toxic soluble $A\beta$. Reports have indicated that curcumin may be a promising scaffold for developing PET tracer for Aβs, and many attempts have been made by many different groups, but none of them has been successful.

SUMMARY

The present application provides, inter alia, a compound of Formula I:

thereof, wherein:

X is absent or BR⁴R⁵;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups; each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl, C₆₋₁₀ aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloal- 65 —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, kyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered

heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, ⁵ C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

each R^{2A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each independently selected from the group consisting of H, halo, and C_{1-6} alkoxy;

each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and —(C_{1-6} alkoxy)-(C_{1-6} haloalkoxy);

each R^{N1} is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl;

each R^{N2} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{2-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy; and

m is 1 or 2.

In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups. In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 5-6 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups. In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyridyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1A} groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups. In some a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer 55 embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the consisting of methyl, —CH₂CH₂OH, group $-OCH_2CH_2CH_2F$, $-OCH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2F$, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F,

-OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂, -N(CH₃)membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally 60 CH₂CH₂F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and $-(C_{1-6} \text{ alkoxy})-(C_{1-6} \text{ haloalkoxy})$. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of methyl, —CH₂CH₂OH, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F,

—OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F,

-OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂,

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CH₂CH₂F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F.

In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of 5 which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl. 10

In some embodiments, R³ is H.

In some embodiments, X is BR⁴R⁵. In some embodiments, X is absent, e.g., as shown below in Formula Ia:

$$R^1$$
 R^2
. Ia

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, m is 1.

In some embodiments:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} 40 cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

In some embodiments:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 5-6 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally 50 substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} group;

 R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected 55 R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

In some embodiments:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyridyl, each of which may 65 be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

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each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups;

R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula II:

$$\mathbb{R}^{4} \mathbb{R}^{5}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{2}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula III:

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^4 \\
R^5 \\
R^2 \\
R^{1A}
\end{array}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula IV:

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{1A} \\
R^{1A}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{1A} \\
R^{1A}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{1A}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{1A}
\end{array}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula V:

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a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one radioisotope.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one radioisotope selected from the group consisting of ¹¹C, ¹³N, ¹⁵O, ¹⁸F, ⁶⁸Ga, ⁸⁹Zr, ⁸²Rb, ¹²⁴I, and ¹³¹I.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I, a 25 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one ¹⁸F radioisotope.

In some embodiments, the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

$$F = \begin{cases} F \\ O \\ O \\ O \\ O \end{cases},$$

$$\bigcap_{F} F$$

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} F & F & F \\ O & B & O \\ O & C & C & C \\ O & C$$

$$\begin{array}{c} F \\ B \\ O \\ \end{array}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

$$F_{18F}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\$$

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a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound is:

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

The present application further provides a pharmaceutical composition, comprising a compound provided herein, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

The present application further provides a method of imaging amyloid beta in a subject, comprising:

i) administering to the subject a compound provided herein, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof; and

ii) imaging the cell or tissue with an imaging technique. The present application further provides a method of diagnosing a disease associated with amyloid beta, comprising:

- i) administering to the subject a compound provided 5 herein, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof; and
 - ii) imaging the cell or tissue with an imaging technique. In some embodiments, the disease is associated with

amyloid beta plaque formation. In some embodiments, the 10 disease is associated with amyloid beta crosslinking. In some embodiments, the disease is associated with copper-induced amyloid beta crosslinking.

In some embodiments, the disease is a disease of the central nervous system or a neurodegenerative disease. In some embodiments, the disease is selected from the group consisting of Alzheimer's Disease, senile dementia of AD type (SDAT), Parkinson's disease, Lewis body dementia, vascular dementia, mild cognitive impairment (MCI), age-associated memory impairment (AAMI) and problems associated with ageing, post-encephalitic Parkinsonism, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), multiple sclerosis (MS) and Down syndrome. In some embodiments, the disease is Alzheimer's Disease.

In some embodiments, the imaging technique is selected from the group consisting of fluorescence imaging, positron emission tomography imaging, magnetic resonance imaging, single-photon emission computed tomography, positron emission tomography with computed tomography imaging, and positron emission tomography with magnetic resonance imaging. In some embodiments, the imaging technique is selected from the group consisting of fluorescence imaging, position emission tomography imaging, and single-photon emission computed tomography.

In some embodiments, the amyloid beta comprises ³⁵ soluble amyloid beta. In some embodiments, the amyloid beta comprises insoluble amyloid beta.

The present application further provides a method for treating a disease selected from the group consisting of senile dementia of AD type (SDAT), Parkinson's disease, 40 Lewis body dementia, vascular dementia, mild cognitive impairment (MCI), age-associated memory impairment (AAMI) and problems associated with ageing, post-encephalitic Parkinsonism, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), multiple sclerosis, (MS) and Down syndrome in a 45 subject, the method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound provided herein, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof. In some embodiments, the disease is Alzheimer's Disease.

Unless otherwise defined, all technical and scientific terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood by one of ordinary skill in the art to which this invention belongs. Methods and materials are described herein for use in the present invention; other, suitable 55 methods and materials known in the art can also be used. The materials, methods, and examples are illustrative only and not intended to be limiting. All publications, patent applications, patents, sequences, database entries, and other references mentioned herein are incorporated by reference in 60 their entirety. In case of conflict, the present specification, including definitions, will control.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 shows a representative scheme of the progression of amyloidosis pathology.

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FIG. 2 shows the fluorescence responses of CRANAD-101 in the absence of A β (Trace A), with A β 42 monomers (Trace B), A β 42 dimers (Trace C), A β 40 aggregates (Trace D), and A β 42 oligomers (Trace E).

FIG. 3A shows a representative fluorescence microscopic image of APP/PS1 mouse brain slices with CRANAD-101F.

FIG. 3B shows representative autoradiography images of APP/PS1 and wild type (WT) mice brain slices with CRANAD-101 [18 F]. The images show that CRANAD-101F stains A β deposits in the cortex and hippocampus areas (arrows).

FIG. 3C shows representative autoradiography images of an AD patient and control (non-AD) brain slices with CRANAD-101 [¹⁸F].

FIG. 3D shows fluorescence microscopic images of an AD patient brain slice with CRANAD-101. The image shows that CRANAD-101 can stain diffusible $A\beta$ deposits (arrows).

FIG. 4A-4B show in vivo PET images using CRANAD-101 [¹⁸F]. The images are summed PET signal of 6-18 minutes post intravenous (i.v.) injection, and were co-registered with CT atlas image. Transverse images (left) and coronal brain images (right) of 14-month wild type mouse (FIG. 4A) and age-matched AD mouse (FIG. 4B) are shown.

FIG. 4C shows a time-activity curve of the CRANAD-101 [¹⁸F] in whole brains of 15-month WT mice and AD mice (APP/PS1 mice) (n=4).

FIG. 4D shows a time-activity curve of the CRANAD-101 [¹⁸F] in whole brains of 5-month WT mice and AD mice (APP/PS1 mice) (n=3).

FIGS. **5**A-**5**B shows in vivo two-photo microscopic images of a WT mouse (FIG. **5**A) and APP/PS1 mouse (FIG. **5**B) using CRANAD-101. The white arrows of FIG. **5**B indicate Aβ3 plaques.

FIG. 5C shows time-lapse two-photon imaging of a WT mouse using CRANAD-101 (panels a-e) and an accumulation time course of CRANAD-101 across the blood brain barrier (panel f).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Amyloid-beta (Aβ) deposits/plaques and tau tangles are indicators of Alzheimer's Disease (AD) (see e.g., Selkoe et al, *Nature*, 1999, 399:A23-31). During the progression of AD, Aβ peptides can form various sub-type species, which can be divided into two categories: soluble Aβs that include monomers, dimers, oligomers, and insoluble Aβs that include fibrils/aggregates and plaques. It has been reported that insoluble deposits/plaques in an AD brain solely cause neurodegeneration, however, evidence indicates that soluble Aβ species are more neurotoxic than insoluble deposits (see e.g., McLean et al, *Ann. Neurol.* 1999, 46:860-866; Lue et al, *Am. J Pathol.* 1999, 155:853-862; and Terry et al, *Ann. Neurol.* 1991, 30:572-580).

For AD pathology, the initial stage is represented by the excessive accumulation of Aβ3 monomers caused by imbalanced Aβ3 clearance (see e.g., Hardy et al, *Science*, 2002, 297:353-356; and Mawuenyega et al, *Science*, 2011, 330: 1774-1776). The total accumulated Aβ then increases with the progression of the disease, and the early predominance of soluble species gradually shifts to primarily insoluble species (see also e.g., Hsiao et al, *Science*, 1996, 274:99-102; and Cao et al, *The Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 2007, 282:36275-36282). As shown in FIG. 1, both soluble and insoluble species co-exist during the disease progression, and both contribute to the AD pathology, indicating that imaging probes capable of detecting both soluble and

insoluble A β s would be useful. Accordingly, the present application provides compounds which are useful for interacting with and binding A β and may further be useful as imaging agents for imaging soluble and insoluble A β . Compounds

The present application provides, inter alia, a compound of Formula I:

$$R^{1}$$
 R^{2}
 R^{3}
 R^{2}

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein:

X is absent or BR⁴R⁵;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{3-10} cycloal-kyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

each R^{2A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} 45 cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and 50 C_{1-6} haloalkoxy;

 R^4 and R^5 are each independently selected from the group consisting of H, halo, and C_{1-6} alkoxy;

each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} 55 haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and —(C_{1-6} alkoxy)-(C_{1-6} haloalkoxy);

each R^{N1} is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl;

each R^{N2} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{2-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy; and

m is 1 or 2.

In some embodiments:

X is absent or BR⁴R⁵;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{3-10} cycloal-kyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10

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membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $R^{N1}R^{N2}$, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

each R^{2A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy;

 R^4 and R^5 are each independently selected from the group consisting of H, halo, and C_{1-6} alkoxy;

each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and —(C_{1-6} 35 alkoxy)-(C_{1-6} haloalkoxy);

each R^{N1} is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl;

each R^{N2} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy; and

m is 1 or 2.

In some embodiments, R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups.

In some embodiments, R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1A} groups.

In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 5-6 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1,4} groups.

In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 5-6 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1,4} groups. In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyridyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1,4} groups. In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyridyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1,4} groups. In some embodiments, R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, and pyrazolyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1,4} groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected 5 R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected 10 R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups. In 15 some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^o groups.

 $-OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F$, $-N(CH_2CH_3)_2$, $-N(CH_3)$ $CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO_2 , C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and 35 $-(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy).

—OCH CH OCH CH ¹⁸F —N(CH C

—OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F, —N(CH₂CH₃)₂, —N(CH₃) CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally 50 substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl. 55 In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} 60 cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of

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 C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, and C_{2-6} alkynyl. In some embodiment, R^3 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy. In some embodiments, R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl. In some embodiments, R^3 is H.

In some embodiments, X is absent. In some embodiments, X is —BR⁴R⁵. In some embodiments, R⁴ is halo. In some embodiments, R⁵ is fluoro. In some embodiments, R⁵ is halo. In some embodiments, R⁵ is fluoro. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo.

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, m is 1. In some embodiments, m is 2.

In some embodiments:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

In some embodiments:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 5-6 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} group;

 R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

In some embodiments:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyridyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups;

R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and — $(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and — $(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , — OCH_3 , — CH_2F , — $CH_2CH_2CH_2F$, and — $OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2F$. In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , — OCH_3 , — $CH_2^{18}F$, — $CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and — $OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F$, — $CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and — $OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F$.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula II:

$$\mathbb{R}^{1A}$$
 \mathbb{R}^{4}
 \mathbb{R}^{5}
 \mathbb{R}^{2}

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein variables R^{1A}, R², R⁴, and R⁵ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds 35 of Formula I.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each 40 optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are 45 each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substi- 50 tuted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 55 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some 20 embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, 25 cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxyl, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxyl)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxyl). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxyl, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxyl)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxyl). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂¹⁸F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₃CH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula III:

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^4 \\
R^5 \\
R^2 \\
R^{1A}
\end{array}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein variables R^{1A}R², R⁴, and R⁵ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10}

aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} 5 haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, C_{1-6} $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of methyl, —CH₂CH₂OH, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F,

—OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F, —N(CH₂CH₃)₂, $-N(CH_3)$ CH₂CH₂F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally 20 substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of —CH₂CH₂OH, methyl, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F,

—OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F,

 $-OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F$, $-N(CH_2CH_3)_2$, $-N(CH_3)_3$ CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group conwhich may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} 40 —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of 45 C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and —(C_{1-6} 55 alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and $-(C_{1-6} \text{ alkoxy}) - (C_{1-6} \text{ haloalkoxy})$. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting 60 of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , $-OCH_3$, $-CH_2^{18}F$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula IV:

$$R^{1A}$$
 R^{1A}
 R^{1A}
 R^{1A}
 R^{1A}
 R^{1A}

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein variables R^{1A}R², R⁴, and R⁵ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, sisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of 35 NR^{N1}R^{N2}, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of methyl, —CH₂CH₂OH, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F,

-OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂, -N(CH₃)CH₂CH₂F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of -CH₂CH₂OH, -OCH₂CH₂CH₂F,methyl, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F,

—OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F,

 $50 - OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F, -N(CH_2CH_3)_2, -N(CH_3)_1$ CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group 65 consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some

embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, ⁵ —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and —(C_{1-6} alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, $\overline{\text{NO}_2}$, $\overline{\text{C}_{1-6}}$ haloalkyl, $\overline{\text{C}_{1-6}}$ alkoxy, $\overline{\text{C}_{1-6}}$ haloalkoxy, and $\overline{\text{15}}$ $-(C_{1-6} \text{ alkoxy}) - (C_{1-6} \text{ haloalkoxy})$. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, 20 NO_2 , $-OCH_3$, $-CH_2^{18}F$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula V:

$$R^{4}$$
 R^{5}
 R^{2}
 R^{1A}

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein variables R^{1A}, R², R⁴, and R⁵ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds 40 of Formula I.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each 45 optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are 50 each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substi- 55 tuted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 60 a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of methyl, —CH₂CH₂OH, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, -OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂, -N(CH₃)CH₂CH₂F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally

substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of methyl, -CH₂CH₂OH, -OCH₂CH₂CH₂F,

—OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F,

-OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂, -N(CH₃)CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and ¹⁰ —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, ³⁰ cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and —(C_{1-6} alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and $-(C_{1-6} \text{ alkoxy})-(C_{1-6} \text{ haloalkoxy})$. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , — OCH_3 , — $CH_2^{18}F$, — $CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and —OCH,CH,OCH,CH,¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula VI:

$$\mathbb{R}^4$$
 \mathbb{R}^5
 \mathbb{R}^2
 \mathbb{R}^6
 \mathbb{R}^6

thereof, wherein variables R², R⁴, R⁵, and R⁶ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each

optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are 5 each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substi- 10 tuted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 15 or 2 independently selected R⁶ groups.

In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of methyl, —CH₂CH₂OH, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂F, -OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂, -N(CH₃)CH₂CH₂F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of 25 —CH₂CH₂OH, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂F, methyl, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃F, -OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F, -N(CH₂CH₃)₂, -N(CH₃)CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and phenyl, wherein the phenyl is optionally 30 substituted by NO₂, —OCH₃, —OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and

—OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl. 35 In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} 40 cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting 45 of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, 50 R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo. In some embodiments, R⁴ and R⁵ are each fluoro.

In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected 55 from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and — $(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and 60 — $(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , — OCH_3 , — CH_2F , — $CH_2CH_2CH_2F$, and — $OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2F$. In some embodiments, each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , — OCH_3 , — $CH_2^{18}F$, — $CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and — $OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F$, — $CH_2CH_2CH_2^{18}F$, and — $OCH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2^{18}F$.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula VII:

$$\mathbb{R}^{14}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{14}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{2}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{16}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein n is 0 or 1, and variables R^{1A}, R², R⁴, R⁵, and R⁶ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

In some embodiments, R^{1A} is selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl.

In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂¹⁸F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula VIII:

$$\mathbb{R}^{4} \mathbb{R}^{5}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{2}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{6}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{1A}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein n is 0 or 1, and variables R^{1A}, R², R⁴, R⁵, and R⁶ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

In some embodiments, R^{1A} is selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl.

In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of 45 C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, 50 cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and —(C₁₋₆ ₅₅ alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂¹⁸F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, the compound of Formula I is a compound of Formula IX:

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein n is 0 or 1, and variables R^{1A}, R², R⁴, R⁵, and R⁶ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

In some embodiments, R^{1A} is selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl.

In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl. 25 In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and C_{6-10} aryl each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} 30 cycloalkyl, and phenyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, adamantyl, and phenyl. In some embodiments, R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl.

In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, and —(C₁₋₆ alkoxy)-(C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy). In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂F. In some embodiments, each R⁶ is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO₂, —OCH₃, —CH₂¹⁸F, —CH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F, and —OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂CH₂¹⁸F.

Unless specifically defined, compounds and salts provided herein can also include all isotopes of atoms occurring in the intermediates or final compounds. Isotopes include those atoms having the same atomic number but different mass numbers.

In some embodiments, a compound provided herein (e.g., a compound of any of Formulas I-IX), a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one radioisotope. As used herein, the term "radioisotope" refers to an atom having an atomic mass or mass number typically found in nature (i.e., naturally occurring). A "radiolabeled" compound is a compound provided herein where

one or more atoms are replaced or substituted by an atom having an atomic mass or mass number different from the atomic mass or mass number typically found in nature (i.e., naturally occurring). Example radioisotopes include, but are not limited to, ¹¹C, ¹³N, ¹⁵O, ¹⁸F, ^{34m}Cl, ³⁸K, ⁴⁵Ti, ⁵¹Mn, ^{52m}Mn, ⁵²Fe, ⁵⁵Co, ⁶⁰Cu, ⁶¹Cu, ⁶²Cu, ⁶⁴Cu, ⁶⁶Ga, ⁶⁷Ga, ⁶⁸Ga, ⁷¹As, ⁷²As, ⁷⁴As, ⁷⁵Br, ⁷⁶Br, ⁸²Rb, ⁸⁶Y, ⁸⁹Zr, ⁹⁰Nb, ^{94m}Te, ^{99m}Te, ^{110m}In, ¹¹¹In, ¹¹⁸Sb, ¹²⁰I, ¹²¹I, ¹²²I, ¹²³I, ¹²⁴I, ¹²⁴I, ¹³¹I, and ²⁰¹Tl.

In some embodiments, the compound provided herein, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one radioisotope selected from the group consisting of ¹¹C, ¹³N, ¹⁵O, ¹⁸F, ⁶⁸Ga, ⁸⁹Zr, ⁸²Rb, ¹²⁴I, and ¹³¹I. In some embodiments, the radioisotope is a positron emitter. As used herein the term "positron emitter" 15 refers to a radioisotope wherein a proton is converted to a neutron, thereby releasing a positron and an electron neutrino. In some embodiments, the positron emitter is ¹¹C or ¹⁸F. In some embodiments, the compound provided herein, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one ¹⁸F radioisotope. In some embodiments at least one halo group of a compound provided herein is ¹⁸F. In some embodiments, at least one halo, haloalkyl, fluoroalkyl, or haloalkoxy group of a compound provided herein comprises at least one radioisotope. In some embodiments, at least one haloalkyl, fluoroalkyl, or haloalkoxy group of a compound provided herein comprises at least one ¹⁸F radioisotope.

In some embodiments, at least one R^{1A} group comprises at least one radioisotope.

In some embodiments, one R^{1A} group comprises one radioisotope. In some embodiments, one R^{1A} group comprises one 18 F group.

In some embodiments, at least one R^{2A} group comprises at least one radioisotope.

In some embodiments, one R^{2A} group comprises one radioisotope. In some embodiments, one R^{2A} group comprises one ^{18}F group.

In some embodiments, R³ comprises at least one radioisotope. In some embodiments, R³ comprises one radioisotope. In some embodiments, R³ comprises one ¹⁸F group.

In some embodiments, R⁴ is a radioisotope. In some embodiments, R⁴ is ¹⁸F. In some embodiments, R⁵ is a radioisotope. In some embodiments, R⁵ is ¹⁸F.

In some embodiments, at least one R⁶ group comprises at least one radioisotope.

In some embodiments, one R⁶ group comprises one radioisotope. In some embodiments, one R⁶ group comprises one ¹⁸F group.

In some embodiments, at least one R^{N2} group comprises at least one radioisotope.

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In some embodiments, the compound provided herein is selected from the group consisting of:

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-continued a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer

thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound provided herein is selected from the group consisting of:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
F & F \\
O & B \\
O & O
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} F \\ O \\ O \\ O \\ \end{array},$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound provided herein is:

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

Unless otherwise stated, when an atom is designated as an isotope or radioisotope (e.g., deuterium, ¹¹C, ¹⁸F), the atom is understood to comprise the isotope or radioisotope in an amount at least greater than the natural abundance of the isotope or radioisotope. For example, when an atom is designated as "D" or "deuterium", the position is understood to have deuterium at an abundance that is at least 3000 times greater than the natural abundance of deuterium, which is 0.015% (i.e., at least 45% incorporation of deuterium).

As used herein, the term "Ci", refers to "Curie", a unit of radioactivity.

As used herein, the term "specific activity" refers to the activity of a given radioisotope per unit mass, for example, Ci/g.

Synthesis

As will be appreciated, the compounds provided herein, ³⁵ including salts thereof, can be prepared using known organic synthesis techniques and can be synthesized according to any of numerous possible synthetic routes.

The compounds provided herein (e.g., compounds of any of Formulas I-IX) can be prepared, for example, according to the procedure shown in Scheme 1. For example, reaction of an appropriately substituted acetylacetone with and appropriately substituted boron etherate compound (e.g. BF₃.O(C₂H₅)₂) affords a boronate-diketone (e.g., Intermediate 1), which can be further reacted with an appropriately substituted aldehyde (e.g., in the presence of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline, AcOH, and a solvent such as acetonitrile) to form a compound of Formula I.

Scheme 1.

$$R^2$$
 R^3
 R^4
 R^5
 R^4
 R^5
 R^4
 R^5

The compounds provided herein (e.g., compounds of any of Formulas I-IX) can also be prepared, for example, according to the procedure shown in Scheme 2. For example, compound (i) is reacted with an appropriately substituted boronate-diketone (e.g., Intermediate 1, in the presence of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline, AcOH, and a solvent such as acetonitrile) to form a compound of Formula I.

Scheme 2.

Scheme 2.

$$R^4$$
 R^5
 R^2
 R^3
 R^2
 R^6

$$\begin{array}{c}
\mathbb{R}^4 \\
\mathbb{R}^5 \\
\mathbb{R}^5 \\
\mathbb{R}^2 \\
\mathbb{R}^3
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\mathbb{R}^2 \\
\mathbb{R}^3
\end{array}$$

The compounds provided herein (e.g., compounds of any of Formulas I-IX) can also be prepared, for example, according to the procedures shown in Schemes 3-4. For example, a methoxy group of compound (i) is reacted in the presence of a demethylating agent (e.g., BBr₃) to form hydroxyl compound (ii), which can be further reacted with an appropriately substituted hydroxyl compound (e.g., 3-iodopropan-1-ol) to form compound (iii). Subsequent reaction of the hydroxyl group (e.g., via reaction with a suitable leaving group such as 4-methylbenzene-1-sulfonyl chloride (i.e., tosyl chloride, —OTs), affords compound (iv) (where LG is the leaving group), which can be further reacted with a nucleophile (e.g., fluoride) to form compound (v), which is then reacted according to the procedures shown in Scheme 2 to afford the desired compound (vi), where n is an integer from 0 to 4, p is an integer from 1 to 2, and variables R^{1A} , R², R³, R⁴, and R⁵ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

$$(\mathbb{R}^{\mathrm{L}i})_{p} \quad \text{CHO} \qquad (\mathbb{R}^{\mathrm{L}i})_{p} \quad \mathbb{R}^{2} \qquad \mathbb{R}^$$

The radiolabeled compounds provided herein (e.g., a radiolabeled compound of any of Formulas I-IX) can also be prepared according to any of Schemes 1-4 using appropriately radiolabeled starting materials, or, alternatively, according to the procedure shown in Scheme 5. For

example, a compound (i) having an appropriate leaving group (LG) (e.g. a tosylate or mesylate group) can be reacted with a ¹⁸F⁻ source (e.g., tetraethylammonium bicarbonate ¹⁸fluoride) to afford the radiolabeled aldehyde (ii), which is then reacted according to the procedures shown in Scheme

2 to afford the desired compound (iii), where variables R^{N_1} , R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , and R^5 are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

The radiolabeled compounds provided herein can also be prepared, for example, according to the procedure shown in Scheme 6, wherein a boronate-diketone substituted with an appropriate leaving group (LG) (e.g., a tosylate or mesylate group) can be reacted with a ⁸F⁻ source (e.g., tetraethylammonium bicarbonate ¹⁸fluoride) to afford the desired compound (ii), where variables R^{N1}, R¹, R², R³, R⁴, and R⁵ are defined according to the definitions provided herein for compounds of Formula I.

Scheme 6.

$$R^{NI}$$
 R^{NI}
 R^{NI}

It will be appreciated by one skilled in the art that the processes described are not the exclusive means by which compounds provided herein may be synthesized and that a broad repertoire of synthetic organic reactions is available to be potentially employed in synthesizing compounds provided herein. The person skilled in the art knows how to select and implement appropriate synthetic routes. Suitable

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synthetic methods of starting materials, intermediates and products may be identified by reference to the literature, including reference sources such as: Advances in Heterocyclic Chemistry, Vols. 1-107 (Elsevier, 1963-2012); Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry Vols. 1-49 (Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry, 1964-2012); Carreira, et al. (Ed.) Science of Synthesis, Vols. 1-48 (2001-2010) and Knowledge Updates KU2010/1-4; 2011/1-4; 2012/1-2 (Thieme, 2001-2012); Katritzky, et al. (Ed.) Comprehensive Organic Functional Group Transformations, (Pergamon Press, 1996); Katritzky et al. (Ed.); Comprehensive Organic Functional Group Transformations II (Elsevier, 2nd Edition, 2004); Katritzky et al. (Ed.), Comprehensive Heterocyclic Chemistry (Pergamon Press, 1984); Katritzky et al., Comprehensive Heterocyclic Chemistry II, (Pergamon Press, 1996); Smith et al., March's Advanced Organic Chemistry: Reactions, Mechanisms, and Structure, 6th Ed. (Wiley, 2007); Trost et al. (Ed.), Comprehensive Organic Synthesis (Pergamon Press, 1991).

Preparation of compounds described herein can involve the protection and deprotection of various chemical groups. The need for protection and deprotection, and the selection of appropriate protecting groups, can be readily determined by one skilled in the art. The chemistry of protecting groups can be found, for example, in T. W. Greene and P. G. M. Wuts, *Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis*, 3rd Ed., Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York (1999).

Reactions can be monitored according to any suitable method known in the art. For example, product formation can be monitored by spectroscopic means, such as nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy (e.g., ¹H or ¹³C), infrared spectroscopy, spectrophotometry (e.g., UV-visible), mass spectrometry, or by chromatographic methods such as high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC), liquid chromatography-mass spectroscopy (LCMS), or thin layer chromatography (TLC). Compounds can be purified by those skilled in the art by a variety of methods, including high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) and normal phase silica chromatography.

At various places in the present specification, divalent linking substituents are described. It is specifically intended that each divalent linking substituent include both the forward and backward forms of the linking substituent. For example, —NR(CR'R")_n— includes both —NR(CR'R")_n— and —(CR'R")_nNR—. Where the structure clearly requires a linking group, the Markush variables listed for that group are understood to be linking groups.

As used herein, the phrase "optionally substituted" means unsubstituted or substituted. As used herein, the term "substituted" means that a hydrogen atom is removed and replaced by a substituent. It is to be understood that substitution at a given atom is limited by valency.

Throughout the definitions, the term " C_{n-m} " indicates a range which includes the endpoints, wherein n and m are integers and indicate the number of carbons. Examples include C_{1-4} , C_{1-6} , and the like.

As used herein, the term "C_{n-m} alkyl", employed alone or in combination with other terms, refers to a saturated hydrocarbon group that may be straight-chain or branched, having n to m carbons. Examples of alkyl moieties include, but are not limited to, chemical groups such as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, tert-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl; higher homologs such as 2-methyl-1-butyl, n-pentyl, 3-pentyl, n-hexyl, 1,2,2-trimethylpropyl, and the like. In some embodiments, the alkyl group contains from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, from 1 to 4 carbon atoms, from 1 to 3 carbon atoms, or 1 to 2 carbon atoms.

As used herein, " C_{n-m} alkenyl" refers to an alkyl group having one or more double carbon-carbon bonds and having n to m carbons. Example alkenyl groups include, but are not limited to, ethenyl, n-propenyl, isopropenyl, n-butenyl, secbutenyl, and the like. In some embodiments, the alkenyl 5 moiety contains 2 to 6, 2 to 4, or 2 to 3 carbon atoms.

As used herein, " C_{n-m} alkynyl" refers to an alkyl group having one or more triple carbon-carbon bonds and having n to m carbons. Example alkynyl groups include, but are not limited to, ethynyl, propyn-1-yl, propyn-2-yl, and the like. 10 In some embodiments, the alkynyl moiety contains 2 to 6, 2 to 4, or 2 to 3 carbon atoms.

As used herein, the term " C_{n-m} alkoxy", employed alone or in combination with other terms, refers to a group of formula —O-alkyl, wherein the alkyl group has n to m carbons. Example alkoxy groups include methoxy, ethoxy, propoxy (e.g., n-propoxy and isopropoxy), tert-butoxy, and the like. In some embodiments, the alkyl group has 1 to 6, 1 to 4, or 1 to 3 carbon atoms.

aromatic ring.

As used herein, the term "heteroaryl" refers to a monocyclic aromatic heterocycle having at least one heteroatom ring member selected from sulfur, oxygen, and nitrogen. In some embodiments, the heteroatom ring members independently selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen. In some embodiments, the

As used herein, the term "aryl," employed alone or in 20 combination with other terms, refers to an aromatic hydrocarbon group, which may be monocyclic or polycyclic (e.g., having 2, 3 or 4 fused rings). The term " C_{n-m} aryl" refers to an aryl group having from n to m ring carbon atoms. Aryl groups include, e.g., phenyl, naphthyl, anthracenyl, 25 phenanthrenyl, indanyl, indenyl, and the like. In some embodiments, aryl groups have from 6 to about 20 carbon atoms, from 6 to about 15 carbon atoms, or from 6 to about 10 carbon atoms. In some embodiments, the aryl group is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl.

As used herein, "halo" refers to F, Cl, Br, or I. In some embodiments, the halo is F, Cl, or Br. In some embodiments, the halo is F. In some embodiments, the halo is ¹⁸F.

As used herein, the term " C_{n-m} haloalkyl", employed alone or in combination with other terms, refers to an alkyl 35 group having from one halogen atom to 2s+1 halogen atoms which may be the same or different, where "s" is the number of carbon atoms in the alkyl group, wherein the alkyl group has n to m carbon atoms. In some embodiments, the haloalkyl group is fluorinated only (e.g, a C_{1-6} fluoroalkyl group). 40 In some embodiments, the alkyl group has 1 to 6, 1 to 4, or 1 to 3 carbon atoms. In some embodiments, the haloalkyl group comprises one or more ¹⁸F radioisotope. In some embodiments, the haloalkyl group comprises one ¹⁸F radioisotope.

As used herein, " C_{n-m} haloalkoxy" refers to a group of formula —O-haloalkyl having n to m carbon atoms. An example haloalkoxy group is OCF_3 . In some embodiments, the haloalkoxy group is fluorinated only. In some embodiments, the haloalkoxy group has 1 to 6, 1 to 4, or 1 to 3 50 carbon atoms. In some embodiments, the haloalkoxy group comprises one or more ¹⁸F radioisotopes. In some embodiments, the haloalkoxy group comprises one ¹⁸F radioisotopes.

As used herein, "cycloalkyl" refers to non-aromatic cyclic 55 hydrocarbons including cyclized alkyl and/or alkenyl groups. Cycloalkyl groups can include mono- or polycyclic (e.g., having 2, 3 or 4 fused rings) groups and spirocycles. Cycloalkyl groups can have 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 ring-forming carbons (C₃₋₁₀). Ring-forming carbon atoms of 60 a cycloalkyl group can be optionally substituted by oxo or sulfido (e.g., C(O) or C(S)). Cycloalkyl groups also include cycloalkylidenes. Example cycloalkyl groups include cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclohexyl, cycloheptyl, cyclopentenyl, cyclohexenyl, cyclohexadienyl, cycloheptyl, tatrienyl, norbornyl, norpinyl, norcarnyl, and the like. In some embodiments, cycloalkyl is cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl,

cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopentyl, or adamantyl. In some embodiments, the cycloalkyl has 6-10 ring-forming carbon atoms (e.g., a C₆₋₁₀ cycloalkyl group). In some embodiments, cycloalkyl is adamantyl. In some embodiments, the cycloalkyl has 3-6 ring-forming carbon atoms (e.g., a C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl). Also included in the definition of cycloalkyl are moieties that have one or more aromatic rings fused (i.e., having a bond in common with) to the cycloalkyl ring, for example, benzo or thienyl derivatives of cyclopentane, cyclohexane, and the like. A cycloalkyl group containing a fused aromatic ring can be attached through any ring-forming atom including a ring-forming atom of the fused aromatic ring.

As used herein, the term "heteroaryl" refers to a monoring member selected from sulfur, oxygen, and nitrogen. In some embodiments, the heteroaryl ring has 1, 2, 3, or 4 heteroatom ring members independently selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen. In some embodiments, the heteroaryl ring has 1, 2, 3, or 4 heteroatom ring members independently selected from nitrogen and sulfur. In some embodiments, any ring-forming N in a heteroaryl moiety can form an N-oxide. In some embodiments, the heteroaryl has 5-6 ring atoms and 1, 2, 3, or 4 heteroatom ring members independently selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen. In some embodiments, the heteroaryl has 5-6 ring atoms and 1, 2, 3, or 4 heteroatom ring members independently selected from nitrogen and sulfur. In some embodiments, the heteroaryl has 5-6 ring atoms and 1 or 2 heteroatom ring members independently selected from nitrogen and sulfur. Exemplary five-membered ring heteroaryl groups include, but are not limited to, thienyl, furyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, thiazolyl, oxazolyl, pyrazolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, 1,2, 3-triazolyl, tetrazolyl, 1,2,3-thiadiazolyl, 1,2,3-oxadiazolyl, 1,2,4-triazolyl, 1,2,4-thiadiazolyl, 1,2,4-oxadiazolyl, 1,3,4triazolyl, 1,3,4-thiadiazolyl, and 1,3,4-oxadiazolyl. Exemplary six-membered ring heteroaryl groups include, but are not limited to, pyridyl, pyrazinyl, pyrimidinyl, triazinyl and pyridazinyl.

As used herein, "heterocycloalkyl" refers to non-aromatic monocyclic or polycyclic heterocycles having one or more ring-forming heteroatoms selected from O, N, or S. Included in heterocycloalkyl are monocyclic 4-, 5-, 6-, and 7-membered heterocycloalkyl groups. Heterocycloalkyl groups can 45 also include spirocycles. Example heterocycloalkyl groups include pyrrolidin-2-one, 1,3-isoxazolidin-2-one, pyranyl, tetrahydropuran, oxetanyl, azetidinyl, morpholino, thiomorpholino, piperazinyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, tetrahydrothienyl, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, isoxazolidinyl, isothiazolidinyl, pyrazolidinyl, oxazolidinyl, thiazolidinyl, imidazolidinyl, azepanyl, benzazapene, and the like. Ring-forming carbon atoms and heteroatoms of a heterocycloalkyl group can be optionally substituted by oxo or sulfido (e.g., C(O), S(O), C(S), or S(O)2, etc.). The heterocycloalkyl group can be attached through a ring-forming carbon atom or a ringforming heteroatom. In some embodiments, the heterocycloalkyl group contains 0 to 3 double bonds. In some embodiments, the heterocycloalkyl group contains 0 to 2 double bonds. Also included in the definition of heterocycloalkyl are moieties that have one or more aromatic rings fused (i.e., having a bond in common with) to the cycloalkyl ring, for example, benzo or thienyl derivatives of piperidine, morpholine, azepine, etc. A heterocycloalkyl group containing a fused aromatic ring can be attached through any ring-forming atom including a ring-forming atom of the fused aromatic ring. In some embodiments, the heterocycloalkyl has 4-10, 4-7 or 4-6 ring atoms with 1 or 2

heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen, or sulfur and having one or more oxidized ring members.

At certain places, the definitions or embodiments refer to specific rings (e.g., an azetidine ring, a pyridine ring, etc.). Unless otherwise indicated, these rings can be attached to any ring member provided that the valency of the atom is not exceeded. For example, an azetidine ring may be attached at any position of the ring, whereas a pyridin-3-yl ring is attached at the 3-position.

The term "compound" as used herein is meant to include 10 all stereoisomers, geometric isomers, tautomers, and isotopes of the structures depicted. Compounds herein identified by name or structure as one particular tautomeric form are intended to include other tautomeric forms unless otherwise specified.

Compounds provided herein also include tautomeric forms. Tautomeric forms result from the swapping of a single bond with an adjacent double bond together with the concomitant migration of a proton. Tautomeric forms include prototropic tautomers which are isomeric protonation states having the same empirical formula and total charge. Example prototropic tautomers include ketone-enol pairs, amide-imidic acid pairs, lactam-lactim pairs, enamine-imine pairs, and annular forms where a proton can occupy two or more positions of a heterocyclic system, for example, 25 1H- and 3H-imidazole, 1H-, 2H- and 4H-1,2,4-triazole, 1H- and 2H-isoindole, and 1H- and 2H-pyrazole. Tautomeric forms can be in equilibrium or sterically locked into one form by appropriate substitution.

All compounds, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts 30 thereof, can be found together with other substances such as water and solvents (e.g. hydrates and solvates) or can be isolated.

In some embodiments, preparation of compounds can involve the addition of acids or bases to affect, for example, 35 catalysis of a desired reaction or formation of salt forms such as acid addition salts.

Example acids can be inorganic or organic acids and include, but are not limited to, strong and weak acids. Some example acids include hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, 40 sulfuric acid, phosphoric acid, p-toluenesulfonic acid, 4-nitrobenzoic acid, methanesulfonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, and nitric acid. Some weak acids include, but are not limited to acetic acid, propionic acid, butanoic acid, benzoic acid, tartaric acid, pentanoic acid, 45 hexanoic acid, heptanoic acid, octanoic acid, nonanoic acid, and decanoic acid.

Example bases include lithium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, lithium carbonate, sodium carbonate, potassium carbonate, and sodium bicarbonate. 50 Some example strong bases include, but are not limited to, hydroxide, alkoxides, metal amides, metal hydrides, metal dialkylamides and arylamines, wherein; alkoxides include lithium, sodium and potassium salts of methyl, ethyl and t-butyl oxides; metal amides include sodium amide, potassium amide and lithium amide; metal hydrides include sodium hydride, potassium hydride and lithium hydride; and metal dialkylamides include lithium, sodium, and potassium salts of methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, tertbutyl, trimethylsilyl and cyclohexyl substituted amides.

In some embodiments, the compounds and salts provided herein are substantially isolated. By "substantially isolated" is meant that the compound is at least partially or substantially separated from the environment in which it was formed or detected. Partial separation can include, for 65 example, a composition enriched in the compounds provided herein. Substantial separation can include compositions of the composition of the composition of the composition can include compositions.

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tions containing at least about 50%, at least about 60%, at least about 70%, at least about 90%, at least about 95%, at least about 97%, or at least about 99% by weight of the compounds provided herein, or salt thereof. Methods for isolating compounds and their salts are routine in the art.

The term, "room temperature" or "RT" as used herein, are understood in the art, and refer generally to a temperature (e.g., a reaction temperature) that is about the temperature of the room in which the reaction is carried out, for example, a temperature from about 20° C. to about 30° C.

The phrase "pharmaceutically acceptable" is employed herein to refer to those compounds, materials, compositions, and/or dosage forms which are, within the scope of sound medical judgment, suitable for use in contact with the tissues of human beings and animals without excessive toxicity, irritation, allergic response, or other problem or complication, commensurate with a reasonable benefit/risk ratio.

The present application also includes pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compounds described herein. As used herein, "pharmaceutically acceptable salts" refers to derivatives of the disclosed compounds wherein the parent compound is modified by converting an existing acid or base moiety to its salt form. Examples of pharmaceutically acceptable salts include, but are not limited to, mineral or organic acid salts of basic residues such as amines; alkali or organic salts of acidic residues such as carboxylic acids; and the like. The pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the present application include the conventional non-toxic salts of the parent compound formed, for example, from non-toxic inorganic or organic acids. The pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the present application can be synthesized from the parent compound which contains a basic or acidic moiety by conventional chemical methods. Generally, such salts can be prepared by reacting the free acid or base forms of these compounds with a stoichiometric amount of the appropriate base or acid in water or in an organic solvent, or in a mixture of the two; generally, non-aqueous media like ether, ethyl acetate, alcohols (e.g., methanol, ethanol, iso-propanol, or butanol) or acetonitrile (MeCN) are preferred. Lists of suitable salts are found in Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences, 17th ed., Mack Publishing Company, Easton, Pa., 1985, p. 1418 and Journal of Pharmaceutical Science, 66, 2 (1977). Conventional methods for preparing salt forms are described, for example, in Handbook of Pharmaceutical Salts: Properties, Selection, and Use, Wiley-VCH, 2002. Methods of Use

The present application further provides a method of imaging amyloid beta. In some embodiments, the method comprises imaging amyloid beta in a cell sample or a tissue sample. In some embodiments, the method includes imaging amyloid beta in a subject. As used herein, the term "subject," refers to any animal, including mammals. Example subjects include, but are not limited to, mice, rats, rabbits, dogs, cats, swine, cattle, sheep, horses, primates, and humans. In some embodiments, the subject is a human.

The present application further provides a method of diagnosing a disease associated with amyloid beta in a subject. In some embodiments, the method comprises:

- i) contact a cell sample or tissue sample of the subject with a compound provided herein (e.g. a compound of any of Formulas I-IX), a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof; and
- ii) imaging the cell sample or tissue sample with an imaging technique.

In some embodiments, the method comprises:

- i) administering to the subject a compound provided herein (e.g. a compound of any of Formulas I-IX), a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof; and
 - ii) imaging the subject with an imaging technique.

In some embodiments, the method is an in vitro method. In some embodiments, the method is an in vivo method.

In some embodiments, the disease is associated with amyloid beta plaque formation. In some embodiments, the 10 disease is associated with amyloid beta crosslinking. In some embodiments, the disease is associated with copper-induced amyloid beta crosslinking.

In some embodiments, the disease is a disease of the central nervous system or a neurodegenerative disease. 15 Example diseases of the central nervous system and neurodegenerative diseases include, but are not limited to, Alzheimer's Disease, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), Bell's Palsy, bipolar disorder, catalepsy, Cerebal Palsy, epilepsy, encephalitis, Huntington's disease, lockedin syndrome, meningitis, migraine, multiple sclerosis (MS), Parkinson's disease, schizophrenia, tropical spastic paraparesis, Tourette's syndrome, senile dementia of AD type (SDAT), Parkinson's disease, Lewis body dementia, vascular dementia, mild cognitive impairment (MCI), age-associated memory impairment (AAMI) and problems associated with ageing, post-encephalitic Parkinsonism, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and Down syndrome.

In some embodiments, the disease is selected from the group consisting of Alzheimer's Disease, senile dementia of 30 AD type (SDAT), Parkinson's disease, Lewis body dementia, vascular dementia, mild cognitive impairment (MCI), age-associated memory impairment (AAMI) and problems associated with ageing, post-encephalitic Parkinsonism, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), multiple sclerosis 35 (MS) and Down syndrome. In some embodiments, the disease is Alzheimer's Disease.

In some embodiments, the imaging technique is a non-invasive imaging technique. In some embodiments, the imaging technique is a minimally invasive imaging technique. As used herein, the term "minimally invasive imaging technique" comprises imaging techniques employing the use of an internal probe or injection of a compound (e.g. a radiolabeled compound) via syringe.

Example imaging techniques include, but are not limited to, fluorescence imaging, X-ray imaging, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), scintigraphic imaging, ultrasound imaging, elastographic imaging, tomographic imaging, echocardiographic imaging, positron emission tomography (PET) imaging, single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT), positron emission tomography with computed tomography imaging, positron emission tomography with magnetic resonance imaging, and ultrasound imaging.

In some embodiments, the imaging technique is selected from the group consisting of fluorescence imaging, positron 55 emission tomography (PET) imaging, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT), positron emission tomography with computed tomography imaging, and positron emission tomography with magnetic resonance imaging.

In some embodiments, the imaging technique is selected from the group consisting of fluorescence imaging, position emission tomography imaging, and single-photon emission computed tomography.

In some embodiments, the amyloid beta comprises 65 soluble amyloid beta (e.g., monomeric, dimeric, and/or oligomeric amyloid beta). In some embodiments, the amy-

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loid beta is soluble amyloid beta (e.g., monomeric, dimeric, and/or oligomeric amyloid beta). In some embodiments, the amyloid beta is insoluble amyloid beta (e.g., aggregated amyloid beta). In some embodiments, the amyloid beta comprises soluble and insoluble amyloid beta.

The present application further provides a method for treating a disease associated with amyloid beta in a subject. In some embodiments, the method comprises administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound provided herein (e.g., a compound of any of Formulas I-IX), a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof. In some embodiments, the compound provided herein reduces amyloid beta crosslinking.

In some embodiments, the disease is associated with amyloid beta plaque formation. In some embodiments, the disease is associated with amyloid beta crosslinking. In some embodiments, the disease is associated with copper-induced amyloid beta crosslinking.

In some embodiments, the disease is selected from the group consisting of senile dementia of AD type (SDAT), Parkinson's disease, Lewis body dementia, vascular dementia, mild cognitive impairment (MCI), age-associated memory impairment (AAMI) and problems associated with ageing, post-encephalitic Parkinsonism, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), multiple sclerosis, (MS) and Down syndrome. In some embodiments, the disease is Alzheimer's Disease.

As used herein, the phrase "therapeutically effective amount" refers to the amount of active compound or pharmaceutical agent that elicits the biological or medicinal response that is being sought in a tissue, system, animal, individual or human by a researcher, veterinarian, medical doctor or other clinician.

As used herein, the term "treating" or "treatment" refers to one or more of (1) inhibiting the disease; for example, inhibiting a disease, condition or disorder in an individual who is experiencing or displaying the pathology or symptomatology of the disease, condition or disorder (i.e., arresting further development of the pathology and/or symptomatology); and (2) ameliorating the disease; for example, ameliorating a disease, condition or disorder in an individual who is experiencing or displaying the pathology or symptomatology of the disease, condition or disorder (i.e., reversing the pathology and/or symptomatology) such as decreasing the severity of disease or reducing or alleviating one or more symptoms of the disease.

In some embodiments, the treating refers to inhibiting or ameliorating one or more symptoms of a disease provided herein (e.g., Alzheimer's Disease). In some embodiments, the symptom is selected from the group consisting of loss of memory, disorientation and misinterpreting special relationships, difficulty speaking and writing, trouble concentrating, thinking, and/or reasoning, difficulty making judgments or decisions, trouble planning and performing familiar tasks (e.g., cooking a meal, playing a favorite game, or dressing and bathing), and changes in personality and behavior (e.g., depression, social withdrawal, mood swings, distrust in others, irritability and aggressiveness, changes in sleeping 60 habits, wandering, loss of inhibitions, and/or delusions), or any combination thereof; thus, a treatment can result in a reduction in one or more of these symptoms. Administration of a therapeutically effective amount of a compound provided herein for the treatment of a condition associated with amyloid beta plaque (e.g., amyloid beta plaque formation) will result in increased mental function and neuronal protection.

One or more additional therapeutic agents such as, for example, anti-inflammatory agents, steroids, immunosuppressants, anesthetics (e.g., for use in combination with a surgical procedure), agents for treating diseases of the central nervous system or neurodegenerative disease, or other agents useful for treating diseases associated with amyloid beta (e.g., a disease of the central nervous system or a neurodegenerative disease) can be used in combination 10 with the compounds and salts provided herein.

Example anti-inflammatory agents include, but are not limited to, aspirin, choline salicylates, celecoxib, diclofenac potassium, diclofenac sodium, diclofenac sodium with misoprostol, diflunisal, etodolac, fenoprofen, flurbiprofen, ¹⁵ ibuprofen, ketoprofen, meclofenamate sodium, mefenamic acid, nabumetone, naproxen, naproxen sodium, oxaprozin, piroxican, rofecoxib, salsalate, sodium salicylate, sulindac, tolmetin sodium, and valdecoxib.

Example steroids include, but are not limited to, corticosteroids such as cortisone, dexamethasone, hydrocortisone, methylprednisolone, prednisolone, and prednisone.

Example immunosuppressants include, but are not limited azathioprine, chlorambucil, cyclophosphamide, cyclosporine, daclizumab, infliximab, methotrexate, and tacrolimus.

Example anesthetics include, but are not limited, to local anesthetics (e.g., lidocaine, procain, ropivacaine) and gen- 30 eral anesthetics (e.g., desflurane, enflurane, halothane, isoflurane, methoxyflurane, nitrous oxide, sevoflurane, mobarbital, methohexital, thiamylal, thiopental, diazepam, lorazepam, midazolam, etomidate, ketamine, propofol, 35 dermal, epidermal, ophthalmic and to mucous membranes alfentanil, fentanyl, remifentanil, buprenorphine, butorphanol, hydromorphone levorphanol, meperidine, methadone, morphine, nalbuphine, oxymorphone, pentazocine).

Examples of agents for treating diseases of the central nervous system or neurodegenerative disease include, but are not limited to, cholinesterase inhibitors (e.g., donepezil, galantamine, and rivastigmine), dopamine agonsists (e.g., and ropinirole), anticholinergics (e.g., benzotropine mesylate and trihexyphenidyl HCl), MAO-B inhibitors (e.g., selegiline, and rasagiline); COMT inhibitors (e.g., entacapone and tolcapone), methylphenidate, and amantadine.

Examples of agents useful for treating diseases associated 50 with amyloid beta may be found, for example, in U.S. Application Publication Nos.: 2011/0208064, 2011/ 0208064, 2012/0183474, 2015/0158841, and 2016/ 0193363, the disclosures of each of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties. In some embodiments, the agent useful for treating diseases associated with amyloid beta is selected from the group consisting of:

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a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

In some embodiments, the additional therapeutic agent is administered simultaneously with a compound or salt provided herein. In some embodiments, the additional therapeutic agent is administered after administration of the compound or salt provided herein. In some embodiments, 20 the additional therapeutic agent is administered prior to administration of the compound or salt provided herein. In some embodiments, the compound or salt provided herein is administered during a surgical procedure. In some embodiments, the compound or salt provided herein is administered 25 in combination with an additional therapeutic agent during a surgical procedure.

Pharmaceutical Compositions and Formulations

When employed as pharmaceuticals, the compounds and salts provided herein can be administered in the form of pharmaceutical compositions. These compositions can be prepared as described herein or elsewhere, and can be administered by a variety of routes, depending upon whether local or systemic treatment is desired and upon the area to be treated. Administration may be topical (including transincluding intranasal, vaginal and rectal delivery), pulmonary (e.g., by inhalation or insufflation of powders or aerosols, including by nebulizer; intratracheal or intranasal), oral, or parenteral. Parenteral administration includes intravenous, intraarterial, subcutaneous, intraperitoneal intramuscular or injection or infusion; or intracranial, (e.g., intrathecal or intraventricular, administration). Parenteral administration can be in the form of a single bolus dose, or may be, for example, by a continuous perfusion pump. In some embodiapomorphine hydrochloride, bromocriptine, pramipexole, and pharmaceutical compositions provided herein are suitable for parenteral administration. In some embodiments, the compounds, salts, and pharmaceutical compositions provided herein are suitable for intravenous administration.

> Pharmaceutical compositions and formulations for topical administration may include transdermal patches, ointments, lotions, creams, gels, drops, suppositories, sprays, liquids and powders. Conventional pharmaceutical carriers, aqueous, powder or oily bases, thickeners and the like may be 55 necessary or desirable.

> Also provided are pharmaceutical compositions which contain, as the active ingredient, a compound provided herein, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in combination with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable 60 carriers (e.g., excipients). In making the compositions provided herein, the active ingredient is typically mixed with an excipient, diluted by an excipient or enclosed within such a carrier in the form of, for example, a capsule, sachet, paper, or other container. When the excipient serves as a diluent, it 65 can be a solid, semi-solid, or liquid material, which acts as a vehicle, carrier or medium for the active ingredient. Thus, the compositions can be in the form of tablets, pills, pow-

ders, lozenges, sachets, cachets, elixirs, suspensions, emulsions, solutions, syrups, aerosols (as a solid or in a liquid medium), ointments, soft and hard gelatin capsules, suppositories, sterile injectable solutions, and sterile packaged powders.

Some examples of suitable excipients include, without limitation, lactose, dextrose, sucrose, sorbitol, mannitol, starches, gum acacia, calcium phosphate, alginates, tragacanth, gelatin, calcium silicate, microcrystalline cellulose, 10 polyvinylpyrrolidone, cellulose, water, syrup, and methyl cellulose. The formulations can additionally include, without limitation, lubricating agents such as talc, magnesium stearate, and mineral oil; wetting agents; emulsifying and suspending agents; preserving agents such as methyl- and 15 propylhydroxy-benzoates; sweetening agents; flavoring agents, or combinations thereof.

The active compound can be effective over a wide dosage range and is generally administered in a pharmaceutically 20 effective amount. It will be understood, however, that the amount of the compound actually administered will usually be determined by a physician, according to the relevant circumstances, including the condition to be treated, the chosen route of administration, the actual compound administered, the age, weight, and response of the individual subject, the severity of the subject's symptoms, and the like.

EXAMPLES

The following examples are offered for illustrative purposes, and are not intended to limit the invention.

Starting materials and solvents used in the Examples were purchased from commercial vendors and used without further purification, unless otherwise noted. The pH of the PBS buffer was 7.4. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (SiliCycle Inc., 60 Å, 40-63 mm) slurry packed into glass columns. Synthetic A β peptides (1-40/42) were 40 purchased from rPeptide (Bogart, Ga., 30622). Aggregates for in vitro studies were generated by the slow stirring of Aβ40 in PBS buffer for 3 days at room temperature. CRANAD-101F (Example 1) was dissolved in DMSO to 45 prepare a 25.0 μM stock solution. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 300 and 125 MHz, respectively, and reported in ppm downfield from tetramethylsilane (TMS). Fluorescence measurements were performed using an 50 F-4500 fluorescence spectrophotometer (Hitachi). Transgenic female APP-PS1 mice and age matched wild-type female mice were purchased from Jackson Laboratory.

In vivo PET imaging was conducted with 14-month old ⁵⁵ APP/PS1 mice (Charles River Laboratories, MA) and agematched wild-type (WT) mice. Mice were injected via tail-vein with 100 μL of 20-30 μCi of [18F]CRANAD-101 (Example 2) in 10% ethanol saline. MicroPET imaging 60 experiments were performed on a Sophie Biosciences microPET G4 scanner (Culver City, Calif., USA). 60-Minute dynamic imaging was performed under general anesthesia (isoflurane/O₂). Imaging analysis was conducted with Amide.

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To a solution of 1-cyclobutylbutane-1,3-dione (1 g, 7.13) mmol) in 10 mL DCM, BF₃.Et₂O (2 eq.) was added dropwise at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 12 h, at which time no starting material was observed via thin layer chromatography (TLC). The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified with silica column chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate=2/1) to afford compound Intermediate 1 as a pale yellow liquid (740 mg, yield: 90%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 1.89-2.12 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.30-2.41 (m, 4H), 3.30-3.36 (m, 1H), 5.92 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 17.97, 24.14, 25.71, 40.85, 99.58, 192.17, 196.42; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 138.75, 138.69; ESI-MS (M+ H_2O) m/z=206.1, (M+ Na^+)=211.0

Example 1. CRANAD-101

Step 1. 1-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde

To a solution of 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde (1 g, 4.624 mmol) in 10 mL anhydrous dichloromethane (DCM), BBr₃ (1M, 9.248 mmol, 2 eq.) was added drop-wise at -78° C. under N₂. The resulting mixture was stirred at -78° C. for 30 min, then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 2 h. Next, the mixture was

quenched with water, and the pH of the resulting solution was adjusted with Na₂CO₃ to pH=8. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate (EtOAc) two times, and the organic layers were combined and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solvent, the resulting residue was purified with silica column chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate=1/1) to afford 1-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde as a gray solid (740 mg, yield: 79.1%). ¹H NMR $(CDCl_3) \delta (ppm) 2.54 (s, 3H), 6.84 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.19^{-10}$ (d, J=8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 11.46, 116.28, 121.35, 127.01, 130.28, 141.96, 143.91, 156.97, 185.01; ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=203.0.

Step 2. 1-(4-(3-hydroxypropoxy)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde

A mixture of 1-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde (214 mg, 1.057 mmol, 1 eq.), 3-iodo- ³⁰ propan-1-ol (1.27 g, 1.268 mmol, 1.2 eq), K₂CO₃ (292 mg, 2.114 mmol, 2 eq.) in 5 mL CH₃CN was heated at reflux for 24 h. The mixture was then filtered, and the remaining solid was washed with EtOAc twice (10 mL each time). The organic layers were concentrated and purified using silica 35 column chromatography to afford 1-(4-(3-hydroxypropoxy) phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde as a yellow solid (190 mg, yield: 69%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.04-2.12 (m, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 3.86-3.90 (t, 2H), 4.15-4.19 (t, 2H), 7.03 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 8.03(s, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 11.55, 31.88, 59.94, 65.77, 114.97, 121.48, 126.74, 131.18, 142.13, 143.41, 159.13, 184.94; ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=261.0.

Step 3. 3-(4-(4-formyl-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl) phenoxy)propyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate

To a solution of 1-(4-(3-hydroxypropoxy)phenyl)-3methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde (190 mg, 0.731 mmol, 60 1 eq.) in 5 mL anhydrous DCM, Et₃N (305 μL, 2 eq.) was added, followed by the addition of 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 90 mg, 0.931 mmol, 1 eq.). To the resulting mixture, 4-methylbenzene-1-sulfonyl chloride (167 mg, the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 4 h. The solution was then concentrated and the

resulting residue was purified using silica column chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate=1/1) to afford 3-(4-(4formyl-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenoxy)propyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate as a yellow solid (210 mg, yield: 69.4%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.11-2.19 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 4.0-4.04 (t, 2H), 4.23-4.27 (t, 2H), 6.87 (d, J=9 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 11.54, 21.60, 28.76, 63.53, 66.77, 114.88, 121.52, 126.67, 127.82, 129.83, 131.34, 132.75, 142.11, 143.37, 144.87, 158.73, 184.91; ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=415.0.

Step 4. 1-(4-(3-fluoropropoxy)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde

To a solution of 3-(4-(4-formyl-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-1yl)phenoxy)propyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (210 mg, 0.507 mmol, 1 eq.) in 5 mL anhydrous THF, triethylammonium bicarbonate (TEAB, 1M in toluene, 1.2 eq.) was added, and the resulting mixture was heated at reflux for 4 h. The solvent was then removed, and the resulting residue was purified with silica column chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate=1/1) to afford 1-(4-(3-fluoropropoxy)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde as a yellow solid (69 mg, yield: 51.9%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.12-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 4.13-4.17 (t, 2H), 4.57-4.61 (t, 1H), 4.72-4.76 (t, 1H) 6.98 (m, 2H), 7.31 (m, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 11.54, 30.14, 30.40, 63.85, 63.91, 79.37, 81.56, 114.96, 121.49, 126.74, 131.27, 142.13, 143.37, 159.04, 184.92; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 218.26, 218.35, 218.43, 218.52, 218.59, 218.69. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=223.0.

Step 5. (E)-4-(2-(6-cyclobutyl-2,2-difluoro-2H-1, $3\lambda^3$, $2\lambda^4$ -dioxaborinin-4-yl)vinyl)-1-(4-(3-fluoropropoxy)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole (CRANAD-101)

A mixture of 1-(4-(3-fluoropropoxy)phenyl)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde (69 mg, 0.2633 mmol, 1 eq.), Intermediate 1 (49.5 mg, 0.2633 mmol, 1 eq.), 1,2,3,4tetrahydroisoquinoline (8 μL), and AcOH (40 μL) in 3 mL 55 CH₃CN was heated at reflux for 15 min, and the reaction mixture was then cooled to room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated, and the resulting residue was purified with silica gel column chromatography (hexanes/ ethyl acetate=1/1) to afford CRANAD-101 as a yellow solid (30 mg, yield: 26.4%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.12-2.44 (m, 10H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 3.33-3.39 (m, 1H) 4.14-4.18 (t, 2H), 4.57-4.61 (t, 1H), 4.73-4.77 (t, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 6.39 (d, J=15.3 Hz 1H), 6.99 (d, J=9.0 Hz 1H), 7.31 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, J=15.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR 0.877 mmol, 1.2 eq.) was added portion-wise at 0° C., and $65 \text{ (CDCl}_3)$ $\delta \text{ (ppm) } 10.94, 18.05, 25.94, 30.15, 30.42, 41.12,$ 63.86, 63.93, 79.38, 81.56, 98.69, 114.97, 116.61, 117.34, 126.49, 131.75, 138.74, 138.98, 142.01, 158.93, 180.52,

194.19; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 136.29, 136.35, 218.45, 218.52, 218.62, 218.69, 218.78. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=433.0.

Example 2. [18F]CRANAD-101

[18F]Fluoride was trapped on an ion exchange cartridge from ¹⁸O-enriched water and subsequently released with a ₃₀ solution of TEAB (2 mg) in 1 mL of MeCN/H₂O (v/v 7/3) into a 5 mL sealed vial. The solution was evaporated at 110° C. under a stream of nitrogen. The evaporation was repeated three times with addition of dry acetonitrile (1 mL) each 35 time. The dried [18F]fluoride was then re-dissolved in 0.2 mL of dry acetonitrile. To an oven-dried vial containing 3-(4-(4-formyl-3-methyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenoxy)propyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (Example 1, Step 3, 4.15 mg) and a magnetic stirrer bar, anhydrous acetonitrile (0.3 mL) was added, followed by the addition of 0.1 mL of tetraethylammonium [18F]fluoride ([18F]TEAF) in acetonitrile. The vial was sealed and heated at 80° C. for 10 min. An aliquot (approximately 2-5 μ L) was taken for analysis by radioTLC 45 (eluent: ethyl acetate) using a Bioscan AR-2000 radio-TLC imaging scanner and WinScan software to calculate radiochemical conversion (RCC). Tetrahydroisoquinoline (0.015 mL), AcOH (0.05 mL) and Intermediate 1 (0.01 mL) were 50 added to the reaction mixture, and the resulting mixture was heated at 80° C. for 10 min. The mixture was cooled and diluted with mobile phase (EtOAc, 4 mL). The radiolabeled [18F]CRANAD-101 was purified using semi-prep radio- 55 HPLC. The identity of the compound was determined via co-injection with the non-radioactive standard (Example 1). The purified [18F]-CRANAD-101 was then reformulated in 10% ethanol saline solution for use intravenous injection.

Analytical radio-HPLC conditions: Column: Luna® 5 μm C18 100 Å 250×4.6 mm. Mobile phase: 60% CH₃CN, 40% 0.1 M NH₄.HCO₂ (aq); Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min, RT=18 min. Semi-prep radio-HPLC conditions: Column: Luna® 5 μm C18 (2) 100 Å 250×10.00 mm. Mobile phase: 60% CH₃CN, 65 40% 0.1 M NH₄.HCO₂ (aq); Flow rate: 5.0 mL/min, RT=18 min. RCC: ~51%.

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. 1 H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.03-2.14 (m, 2H), 2.26-2.39 (m, 4H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 3.33-3.36 (m, 1H), 3.77-3.79 (t, 1H), 3.78-3.80 (t, 1H), 3.88-3.94 (m, 2H), 4.18-4.22 (m, 2H), 4.51-4.54 (m, 1H), 4.67-4.70 (m, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 6.39 (d, J=15.3 Hz 1H), 7.01 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, J=15.3 Hz, 1H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.95, 18.05, 25.93, 41.12, 67.82, 69.77, 70.49, 70.75, 82.00, 84.24, 98.69, 115.15, 116.60, 117.34, 126.43, 131.84, 138.74, 138.99, 142.01, 158.89, 180.52, 194.17. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=463.1.

Example 4. CRANAD-108F

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. 1 H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.49 (s, 3H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.56 (m, 7H), 7.63-7.68 (t, 1H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 8.06-8.12 (t, 3H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) 11.12, 97.31, 117.36, 117.82, 125.04, 128.56, 128.77, 129.02, 129.36, 132.17, 134.62, 65 138.67, 139.33, 142.08, 180.88, 181.07 δ (ppm) 19 F NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 140.48, 140.55. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=379.0.

Example 5. CRANAD-109F

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. 1 H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.43 (s, 3H), 3.78-3.81 (t, 1H) 3.88-3.91 (t, 1H), 3.92-3.95 (t, 2H), 4.19-4.22 (t, 2H), 4.52-4.54 (t, 1H), 4.68-4.70 (t, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 7.03-7.06 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33-7.36 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50-7.55 (t, 2H), 7.62-7.67 (t, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.05-8.10 (m, 3H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.99, 67.83, 69.78, 70.50, 70.76, 82.01, 84.25, 97.27, 115.17, 117.12, 117.50, 126.45, 128.54, 129.00, 131.82, 132.18, 134.56, 138.87, 139.10, 142.22, 158.92, 180.92; 19 F NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 136.59, 136.53, $_{25}$ 218.60-219.04. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=485.0.

Example 6. CRANAD-97

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. 1 H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.01-2.07 (m, 2H), 2.23-2.37 (m, 4H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 3.34-3.39 (m, 1H), 5.89 (s, 1H), 6.41 (d, J=15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.54 (m, 5H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, J=15.9 Hz, 45 1H) 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 11.08, 18.05, 25.94, 41.13, 98.75, 116.86, 117.67, 125.02, 128.73, 129.24, 129.34, 138.54, 138.63, 139.23, 141.87, 180.48, 194.36 ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=357.1.

Example 7. CRANAD-93

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=352.1.

Example 8. CRANAD-92

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=349.1.

Example 9. CRANAD-111

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. 1 H NMR (DMSO) δ (ppm) 3.71-3.76 (m, 2H), 4.18-4.21 (m, 2H), 4.96 (m, 1H), 6.85 (d, J=15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.60 (t, 2H), 7.73 (t, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 8.15 (t, 2H), 8.22 (s, 1H), 8.34 (s, 1H); 13 C NMR (DMSO) δ (ppm) 55.02, 60.00, 97.17, 118.04, 118.76, 128.78, 129.81, 132.06, 134.69, 135.35, 140.67, 141.86, 179.31, 182.48. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=333.0.

Example 10. CRANAD-99

$$O_2N$$

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=402.1.

The title compound was prepared according to procedures similar to the methods provided in Example 1. 1 H NMR 15 (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 2.01-2.07 (m, 2H), 2.23-2.37 (m, 4H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 3.32-3.39 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 1H), 5.88 (s, 1H), 6.40 (d, J=15.3 Hz, 1H), 6.99-7.01 (q, 2H), 7.31-7.34 (q, 2H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, J=15.3 Hz, 1H) 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.94, 18.05, 25.93, 41.10, 55.57, 98.69, 114.44, 20 116.58, 117.32, 126.46, 131.60, 138.76, 138.98, 142.03, 159.74, 180.53, 194.15. ESI-MS (M+H) m/z=387.1.

Example 12. Fluorescence Spectral Testing of CRANAD-101 with Aβs

To record the fluorescence response of CRANAD-101 with Aβs, the following procedure was used. Step 1: 1.0 mL of PBS buffer was added to a quartz cuvette as a blank control and its fluorescence was recorded with the same ³⁰ parameters as for CRANAD-101. Step 2: The fluorescence emission spectrum of a CRANAD-101 solution (1.0 mL, 250 nM) was recorded with excitation at 420 nm and emission from 450 to 800 nm. Step 3: To the CRANAD-101 solution from Step 2, 10 μL Aβs (25 μM) was added (final ³⁵ concentration 250 nM). The emission spectra was recorded (Excitation=420 nm, Emission=450-800 nm). The final spectra from Steps 2 and 3 were corrected using the blank control from Step 1.

The emission peak of CRANAD-101 was approximately 40 550 nm, and its excitation peak was approximately 420 nm. To confirm whether CRANAD-101 was responsive to Aβs, including monomers, dimers, oligomers, and aggregates, PBS buffer was used as a blank, CRANAD-101 (250 nM, final concentration) was added in PBS buffer and the fluo- 45 rescence intensity was recorded. Next, Aβ monomer (250) nM, final concentration) was added, and the fluorescence intensity was recorded. The same procedure was then performed for A β dimers, A β oligomers, and A β aggregates. It was observed that CRANAD-101 had strong responses to 50 Aβs, as shown in FIG. 2. The binding constant (Kd) of CRANAD-101 was also measured for Aβs. Aβ aggregates, Kd=188.5±104.4 nM; Aβ42 oligomers, Kd=780±173.4 nM; A β 42 dimers, Kd=44.01±18.9 nM; and A β 42 monomers, Kd=11.6±11.0 nM. Together, the solution tests suggested 55 that CRANAD-101 was binding to insoluble Aβ aggregates and to soluble A β s, including monomers, dimers, and oligomers.

Example 13. Brain Slice Testing

A brain slice of 11-month old APP/PS1 mouse was washed with double-distilled water for 5 minutes, then fixed with 4% formalin for 5 minutes, and washed with double-distilled water. First, a background image of a brain slice 65 was taken using a fluorescence microscope. Next, an image was taken after the slice was incubated with CRANAD-101

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 $(25 \, \mu M)$ for 30 minutes. It was found that A β plaques could be imaged after the incubation, as shown in FIG. 3A, suggesting that CRANAD-101 was capable of staining AP species.

Example 14. [18F]CRANAD-101 Autoradiograph Test

Brain slices from a 14-month APP/PS1 mouse and wild type (WT) mice (an age-matched control) were washed with double-distilled water for 5 minutes, then fixed with 4% formalin for 5 minutes, and washed with double-distilled water. The slices were subsequently dried, then incubated with [18F]CRANAD-101 (5 μCi) for 30 min. The slices were then washed with 20% ethanol PBS buffer and dried. The dried slices were exposed to an imaging plate for 1 hour, and the plate was scanned with autoradiography system Cyclone (Perkin Elmer).

The autoradiography images showed higher retention on the AD slice (from the APP/PS1 mouse), while no apparent staining was observed for the control slice, as shown in FIG. 3B. The [¹⁸F]CRANAD-101F stained areas of the AD slice were consistent with the accumulation areas of Aβ deposits, as shown in FIG. 3B. In addition, [¹⁸F]CRANAD-101F also showed higher retention in human AD brain slice than that in health control slice, as shown in FIGS. 3C-3D.

Example 15. In Vivo PET Imaging

In vivo PET imaging was conducted with 14-month old APP/PS1 mice and age-matched WT mice. Mice were injected (i.v.) with 100 μL of 20-30 μCi of [¹⁸F]CRANAD-101 in 10% ethanol saline. The specific activity was determined to be 1.19 Ci/mol at the time of injection. PET imaging results indicated that APP/PS1 mice had higher probe retention in brain than the control wild type mice, as shown in FIGS. 4A-4B, and the peak of uptake reached 4.5 RE:% ID/cc, as shown in FIG. 4C. When compared to other reported ¹⁸F labeled curcumin analogues (see e.g., Ryu et al, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry, 2006, 49:6111-6119), CRANAD-101F showed much higher penetration of the blood-brain barrier (BBB) and brain accumulation, suggesting that half-curcuminoid CRANAD-101F a useful PET tracers for imaging Aβ. Moreover, [¹⁸F]CRANAD-101 showed a good clearance rate (% ID/g_(2min)/% $ID/g_{(30min)}=3.2$). Quantitative analysis showed that the differences between APP/PS1 mice and control mice were 1.22-, 1.34-, 1.43-, and 1.39-folds at 5-, 18-, 30-, and 60-minutes post-injection, respectively. Compared to WT mice, the probe retention in the cortex and hippocampus areas were higher in the APP/PS1 mice, indicating that [18F]CRANAD-101 is useful for in vivo PET imaging.

The over-accumulation of soluble Aβs is an important phenomenon at the early stage of AD pathology, and the in vitro fluorescence tests described herein suggest that CRANAD-101 was also responsive to soluble Aβs. To examine whether [18F]CRANAD-101 was capable of detecting soluble Aβs in vivo, PET imaging was performed with 5-month old APP/PS1 mice, in which soluble Aβs are the dominant Aβ sub-species in brains. It was found that the [18F]CRANAD-101 had higher retention (1.09-, 1.16-, 1.09-folds at 15-, 30-, and 60-minutes post i.v.), as shown in FIG. 4D. This data shows that [18F]-CRANAD-101 was capable of imaging Aβs in vivo.

Example 16. Two-Photon Imaging of Wild-Type and Alzheimer's Disease Mice with CRANAD-101

To investigate whether CRANAD-101 was capable of penetrating brain blood barrier (BBB), two-photon micro-

scopic imaging was conducted using a 15-month old wild type (WT) mouse. A mouse (19-months old) was anesthetized with Ketamine/xylazine (70 mg/kg) and a cranial imaging window was surgically prepared. CRANAD-101 (2.0 mg/kg in a fresh solution containing 15% CREMO-5 PHOR EL®, 15% DMSO and 70% PBS) was injected intravenously at time=0 min by a bolus injection during image acquisition. Two-photon fluorescence excitation was performed with a 900-nm laser (Prairie Ultima). Imaging was performed using a two-photon microscope (Prairie 10 Technologies) equipped with a 20× water immersion objective (N.A. 1.0, Zeiss). Images were collected for 15 seconds per frame 512×512 µm matrix for 45 min with a green (500-550 nm) channel.

It was found that CRANAD-101 quickly crossed the BBB, as evidenced by the blurred signals outside of the vessels (FIG. 5A and FIG. 5C, panels a-e). The accumulation of CRANAD-101 in the brain reached a peak at 10 minutes after i.v. injection (FIG. 5C, panel f). To examine whether CRANAD-101 could label Aβ3 plaques and cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA) in vivo, a similar two-photo microscopic imaging procedure was performed with a 15-month old APP/PS1 mouse. CRANAD-101 clearly highlighted Aβ plaques and CAAs (FIG. 5B), indicating CRANAD-101 is a promising candidate for PET tracer development.

OTHER EMBODIMENTS

It is to be understood that while the invention has been described in conjunction with the detailed description 30 thereof, the foregoing description is intended to illustrate and not limit the scope of the invention, which is defined by the scope of the appended claims. Other aspects, advantages, and modifications are within the scope of the following claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A compound of Formula I:

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein:

X is BR^4R^5 ;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{3-10} cycloal-kyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocy-

cloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{6-10} aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

each R^{2A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, NR^{N1}R^{N2} C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl, C₆₋₁₀ aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, wherein the C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₃₋₁₀ cycloalkyl, C₆₋₁₀ aryl, 4-10 membered heterocycloalkyl, and 5-10 membered heteroaryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R⁶ groups;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy;

 R^4 and R^5 are each independently selected from the group consisting of H, halo, and C_{1-6} alkoxy;

each R^6 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, NO_2 , C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, and $-(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)- $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy);

each R^{N1} is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_{1-6} alkyl;

each R^{N2} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{2-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{1-6} haloalkoxy; and m is 1 or 2.

2. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups.

3. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups.

4. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, wherein the C_{3-6} cycloalkyl and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups.

5. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein R³ is H.

6. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo.

7. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein m is 1.

8. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein:

 $X \text{ is } BR^4R^5;$

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{6-10} aryl and 5-10 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and C_{6-10} aryl, wherein the

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 C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and C_{6-10} aryl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl, wherein the C_{3-6} cycloalkyl and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{2A} groups;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

9. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein:

X is BR⁴R⁵;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 5-6 membered heteroaryl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1, 2, 3, or 4 independently selected R^{1,4} group;

 R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, and phenyl;

R³is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

10. The compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, wherein:

 $X \text{ is } BR^4R^5;$

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyridyl, each of which may be optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^{1A} groups;

each R^{1A} is independently selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, $NR^{N1}R^{N2}$, and phenyl, wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, and phenyl are each optionally substituted by 1 or 2 independently selected R^6 groups;

R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, cyclobutyl, and phenyl;

 R^3 is H;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each halo; and

m is 1.

11. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound of Formula I, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, comprises at least one radioisotope.

12. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

$$\begin{array}{c} F \\ O \\ O \\ \end{array}$$

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-continued a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer

thereof.

13. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

$$\begin{array}{c}
F \\
B \\
O \\
N
\end{array}$$

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof.

14. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising a compound of claim 1, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, or a tautomer thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

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